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A GRAMMAR

OF THE

SAMARITAN LANGUAGE,

WITH

EXTRACTS AND VOCABULARY.

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P R E F A C E.

IN offering to the public a work of so *novel* a character as the present, the author has seized the opportunity of stating the grounds on which it was undertaken.

The importance of the study of the Biblical languages has never been questioned, excepting by those men who are ignorant of them, and are disposed to condemn *in toto* the utility of that which they have not the means or opportunity to acquire. On the other hand, those illustrious scholars, whose definition of the utilitarian *cui bono* is directly opposed to the former, have not only inculcated the momentous importance of linguistic study by *precept*, but have led the van thereof conspicuously by *example*.

To recount the imperishable names of those who, from the earliest ages of Christianity, have patronised or pursued this study, is unnecessary in this place; their opinions of its importance may be summed up in the words of the learned Dr. Jahn: "occurrit et illud, quod est totius theologiæ fundamentum, neque tamen *sine subtili et intimâ linguarum Biblicarum cognitione* satis firmari potest, γνησιότης, inquam,

sacrorum librorum, *quâ labefactatâ*, ruit autoritas horum documentorum, et theologiæ ædificium evertitur." And again, "librorum *γνησιότητα* et verum sensum, *absque subtili et intimâ linguarum scientiâ*, comprobare nemo potest."

The phrase "Biblical Languages," although capable of extension to all those versions of the Sacred Scriptures which have been made during the last century into almost every important language and dialect, is usually confined to the following: viz. Hebrew, Chaldee, Syriac, Arabic, Samaritan, Ethiopic, Amharic, and Coptic; to which, of course, the Greek and Latin may be added.

- The first four of the languages just enumerated have received especial attention at the hands of scholars; while the four latter have been wholly neglected or forgotten. In fact, during the last few years, so little attention and study have they attracted, that, at the present time, it is impossible to acquire even the rudiments of them, except through the medium of the Latin tongue. Why they have been allowed to fall into such disrepute, it is not worth while to inquire, but we have only to do with the fact that such is the case, and, if possible, to remedy it.

The present work is a Grammar of the Samaritan Language; it is strictly *Rudimentary*, and is intended as a precursor to a more critical and philological view of the tongue. The main object of the author has been to deal with the ordinary facts of Etymology and Syntax, and to produce such a work (to use an illustrious scholar's words), "*non ut in ipso hæreat juvenus, sed ut per eum transeat*,

per eum excolatur, et ad altiora præparetur." How far he has succeeded in his endeavours will be for the discerning public to determine; to whose favour he would commend his present attempt.

The author has consulted nearly the whole of the extant writers on the subject,—as Cellarius, Morinus, Castellus, Leusdenius, and others. To the first he is *especially* indebted in the Etymological part of the work; whose facts, notwithstanding they are undigested, and expressed in questionable Latinity, are undoubtedly invaluable.

The Syntax is, however, wholly original; and the author has especially aimed at giving the ordinary rules, to the exclusion of all which might seem hypercritical to the young scholar.

The Work is preceded by a brief dissertation upon the Samaritans, their language and literature, which the author hopes will not be unacceptable to the reader, and is concluded by an extract, from Walton's Polyglot, of three chapters of the Samaritan version of the Pentateuch, with exegetical remarks upon the text, together with a short Lexicon, carefully compiled by actual reading and observation. The student will do well, after he has mastered the Grammar, to construe, by the aid of the Lexicon, and parse the whole of the extracts, in doing which he will find his labours considerably diminished by observing the analogy which the Samaritan bears to the Syriac and Chaldee.

Before concluding, it is scarcely necessary to dwell upon

the extent to which the Samaritan text as edited in the books is vitiated; and no doubt many of the anomalies, which have come to be considered *grammatical* peculiarities, are to be referred to this cause. The fact is simply mentioned here, to show that the reader must bear with some things, which in the *present* state of the text are unavoidable.

The author hopes to have an opportunity of editing a critical and philological Grammar, which, with a Lexicon and a revised text of the Samaritan Pentateuch, would form a somewhat complete library of Samaritan literature.

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INTRODUCTION.

BEFORE entering upon the Grammar, a brief account of the Samaritans, their language and literature, may not be unacceptable to the generality of our readers.

It appears that the ten tribes of Israel who had revolted from Solomon's son, elected Jeroboam as their king, who fixed his capital at Shechem, in mount Ephraim.

The Israelitish king, in order to prevent his people from going to Jerusalem, set up two golden calves, one in Dan, and the other in Bethel, to which they might offer the usual sacrifices.

We pass over the remaining acts of Jeroboam and his successors, until we come to Omri, the sixth king of Israel, who began his reign, A.M. 3079. He it was who purchased the hill of Samaria from Shemer, and built on it a city called by the same name, from which the gentile noun, *Samaritans*, is derived.

The city Samaria was besieged during Ahab's reign, by the Syrian king, Ben-hadad, but without success: in the reign of Hoshea, however, Shalmaneser, king of Assyria, attacked it, and after three years' siege succeeded in taking it, and carrying away the Israelites captive into Assyria.

The territories of the banished Jews were occupied by a mixed people, brought from different parts of the Assyrian empire,—from Babylon, Cuthah, Ava, Hamath, and Se-

pharvaim. It is to these colonists that the name *Samaritans* is specially, though not exclusively, applicable. According to Josephus, they were called כּוּתָּאִי *Cuthæi*, as the following extract will show (B. ix. c. 14):—οἱ δὲ μετοικισθέντες εἰς τὴν Σαμάρειαν Χυθαῖοι—ταύτῃ γὰρ ἐχρῶντο μέχρι δεῦρο τῇ προσηγορίᾳ, διὰ τὸ ἐκ τῆς Χουθᾶς καλουμένης χώρας μεταχθῆναι, αὕτη δ' ἐστὶν ἐν τῇ Περσίδι καὶ ποταμὸς τοῦτ' ἔχων ὄνομα, etc.

It appears, moreover, that these colonists were infested with lions, on account of their idolatry; and believing the cause of this visitation to be their ignorance of the worship due to the "God of the land," they resolved to request Shalmaneser to send them a priest or priests of the captive people, who might teach them "the manner of the God of the land." This request was complied with,—a priest was sent. But it does not appear that the instruction he imparted had the effect of totally eradicating idolatry from among them; for we read, that "they feared the Lord, but served their graven images." How long this semi-idolatry continued it is impossible to say: it would appear, however, that on the return from the Babylonish captivity it had ceased; for they not only made an application to Judah and Benjamin to be allowed to participate in rebuilding the temple, for which the latter had obtained a decree, but added, as if reprobating their former wickedness, "we seek your God, as ye do; and we do sacrifice unto him since the days of Esar-haddon, king of Assur, which brought us up here." This proposal was refused by Ezra and Nehemiah, and the other Jews; who were not only empowered by the decree of Cyrus to rebuild their temple, but also to fortify their city. This refusal on the part of the Jews, gave rise to that im-

placable and deadly hatred which ever after existed between themselves and the Samaritans.

The latter, by their calumnies and intrigues at the court of Persia, at length forced the Jews to desist from their work. We are told that they "hired counsellors against them;" and to judge from the proceedings recorded in Ezra, c. iv., there can be no doubt that the Samaritans were actuated by the most fiendish spleen. They are even said to have gone so far as to attempt to hinder the rebuilding by force, but without success, for the temple was completed.

The Jews never forgave the Samaritans: and as an instance of the contempt and abhorrence in which they held the latter, we may mention the saying, "he who eateth bread of a Cuthæan shall be as one who eateth pork." The Jews even refused to write a copy of the law on a Samaritan parchment.

What their feelings were, therefore, when it was resolved to build a rival temple to their own, may be more easily imagined than described.

Manasses, brother of the high-priest, and son-in-law of Sanballat, the governor of Samaria, was ordered, in common with the other Jews, to give up his "strange wife." He refused, and was consequently compelled to fly for protection to his father-in-law.

On the representation of Sanballat, that the building of a temple in opposition to that of the Jews would tend to weaken the latter,—whom he represented as a nation ever disaffected, and always ready for revolution,—a temple was built by the Samaritans on mount Gerizim, of which Manasses was made high priest.

Shortly after the building of this temple, the Samaritans

revolted from Alexander, who expelled them, and put Macedonians in their place, and gave the province to the Jews. After Alexander's death, Ptolemy Lagus subdued both Judæa and Samaria, and carried away numbers of Jews and Samaritans to Egypt. Samaria afterwards fell into the hands of John Hyrcanus the Jewish chief priest; and soon after him into the hands of the Romans, during whose rule Herod Antipater rebuilt the temple and city with great magnificence, to which he gave the name Sebaste, or Augusta. At the present time, few of this once powerful people exist. Scaliger, who was desirous of being informed of their customs, wrote two letters, one to the Samaritans of Egypt, and the other to the chief priest, who resides at Neapolis, in Syria. Their answers are now in existence, and are well worthy of perusal.

We shall close the preceding brief sketch of the Samaritans, with a short account of their language and Pentateuch; and especially of what is called the Samaritan Version. But as our remarks have been, and must be brief, we may refer those who wish for complete information on the subject, to the Proleg. of Walton's Polyglot, Gesenius "de origine et indole Samaritani Pentateuchi," Cellarius, Schwarzius, Scaliger, Hottinger, and others.

The Samaritan is chiefly a compound of the Hebrew, Chaldee, and Syriac. Among the words derived from these sources, are to be recognised a great number of Cuthæan words, imported, doubtlessly, by the new colonists.

Some of the words borrowed from the former languages have undergone various transformations, as will be seen hereafter, while others have remained entire and unchanged.

The *sympathies* of the language are decidedly Syro-

Chaldaic, as the reader will observe in the sequel. This is probably to be attributed to the fact, that while the Samaritans sought to fashion their own tongue after the manner of that of the Syrians, who were situated in Decapolis, north of Samaria; they scrupulously eschewed every thing which savoured of their southern neighbours, against whom they appear to have entertained the most implacable hatred.

There does not appear to be any substantial ground for the affirmation of Cellarius, that the Samaritan dialect was ruder and less polished than those of its neighbours. Generally speaking, it is far more simple in its syntax than the Hebrew, and free from those technical constructions with particles, which are especially found in the latter. It does not, however, appear to convey ideas more imperfectly than the Hebrew; on the contrary, there are cases in which its simple diction seems paramount to that of the latter; and to judge of a tongue by the utilitarian principle, that it was made for man, so far the Samaritan successfully attains the end for which language was in part designed. There is one peculiarity in the Samaritan, which especially arrests our attention; and that is, the promiscuous interchange of the so called *guttural* letters: but whether this is an argument against the ἀκριβεία of the language, it is not our intention to determine.

It has been previously stated, that besides a large number of words borrowed from the three principal dialects of the Shemitic family, the Samaritan language is found to contain words foreign to all three of them. The historical fact, that the Cuthæi held possession of the Samaritan territories after the Babylonish captivity, or else that the Jews, on their return from Assyria, imported a number of exotic words previously unknown to their own and the cognate dialects,

is not only sufficient to account for the presence of such words, but also gives a clue to fixing the date when the Samaritan dialect was formed. This appears to have been about the seventh century before Christ. Previous to the captivity, there is every reason to believe that the Alphabet now called the Samaritan, was also employed by the Jews in transcribing those copies of the law which were disseminated throughout the tribes of Israel. The Pentateuch, known as the Hebræo-Samaritan, appears to support this supposition; for although written in Samaritan characters, the difference between it and the authorised Hebrew Pentateuch is so small, that there can be no difficulty in pronouncing the former to be a copy of the latter, or rather the latter a copy of the former; for, notwithstanding the ingenuity of Kopp, it is highly probable that on their return the Jews adopted, instead of their ancient characters, the Chaldee, now called the Hebrew, in which the Sacred text, as restored by Ezra, was written. In fact, the coincidence between the Hebrew and Hebræo-Samaritan text is so remarkable, that it induced Morinus to say of the latter, "*purum putum Mosis Pentateuchum.*" The whole question, however, of the priority which ought to be given to one of these two copies of the Law, apparently turns upon the point as to whether the Assyrian characters were known among the Jews previous to the Babylonish captivity,—a question which it is not our purpose to discuss here. The Samaritan Version, which is written in the Samaritan dialect, and of which the following work is a Grammar, claims especial notice in this place.

We have previously spoken of the language in which it was written, whose genius is well set forth in the following

extract from the Atlas Ethnographique of the learned Adrien Balbi:—"Le Samaritain tient de l'Hébreu, du Chaldéen, et du Syriaque; mais diffère cependant d'une manière assez notable de ces idiomes, soit par ses formes grammaticales, soit par des racines qui lui sont propres, soit par des acceptions particulières de celles qui lui sont communes avec les autres dialectes sémitiques."

A few remarks upon the time, and author of this Version, will not be out of place here.

Upon the question of *time*, many illustrious scholars are at issue. Gesenius, in his learned discourse on the origin and character of the Samaritan Pentateuch, is disposed to place its execution some centuries after Christ. Hottinger and Walton, on the other hand, considered it of the highest antiquity. The illustrious orientalist Gesenius has not favoured us with the grounds upon which he came to the preceding conclusion, whereas the opinion of the two latter scholars appears to be supported by as reasonable hypotheses as the case admits.

In the first place, the internal evidence of the Version is sufficient to show that it is not older than the Babylonish captivity, in fact, that it must have been made after the building of the temple, under the auspices of Sanballat, the governor of Samaria; because the words rendered in our Version (Deut. xxvii. 4) by *Mount Ebal*, were changed by them into 𐤌𐤍𐤁𐤁𐤀𐤂𐤏𐤓 in *Mount Gerizim*. This could not have been done till after the building of their temple. The reader who will take the trouble to consult Schwarzius, will find also another reason, which, however hypercritical it may seem, is certainly no less conclusive than the preceding.

Moreover, the analogy which the corresponding Hebrew version bears to the Samaritan will probably enable us to fix more precisely the time when the latter was written.

During the long captivity of the Jews in Babylon, few, if any of them, could have retained their own language free from the contamination of that of their conquerors. Besides, on the termination of that captivity, all the old Jews who had been removed from their country must have been dead: and if we suppose the Assyrian king carried away their infant children, we cannot doubt that few at the restoration, judging from the ordinary length of human life, remained alive to return; and those who did must certainly have spoken the language of their conquerors. Most of the Jews who returned to their country must have been men who had been born in Assyria; so that the Law in the original Hebrew must have been to them pretty much the same as a book written in the standard English of the present day would be to a real Lancashire provincialist. The consequence was, that a paraphrase was made called Targumin, and by this means the Jews were enabled to understand that which, from their ignorance of their vernacular language, must have otherwise remained almost a dead letter.

Judging, therefore, from analogy, it seems reasonable to suppose that the Samaritan version was made for a similar purpose, and about the same time.

That it was made for a public purpose is highly probable from the fact that such works were usually undertaken with that view; and there is no reason to believe that a private individual would undertake and complete such a work for his own amusement, much less that such an attempt would have escaped the ravages of time as the Samaritan has, and have

been handed down to our own age. This supposition, together with the fact that the independence of the Samaritans appears to have had no existence after the time of Alexander, would at least be presumptive evidence that it is coeval with the Targumin; because, generally speaking, works for national use are not undertaken when a nation's nationality is destroyed, or its independence lost.

As regards the author of this version, nothing is known; his name has not transpired, like those of Onkelos, Jonathan, and Saad. The way, however, in which he has performed his work, with few solitary exceptions, (and those probably due to the inaccuracy of the *librarii*, who have here, as in other cases, disfigured the original text by innovations, either the result of design or negligence,) will justify the words of Schwarzius: "Cæterum nostro, quisquis demum ille fuerit, interpreti variæ et ingenii et doctrinæ laudes meritò deferuntur."

SAMARITAN GRAMMAR.

CHAPTER I.

1. THE Samaritan letters are the same in number as the Hebrew, Chaldee, and Syriac; they have the same power, and the same names. The following Table contains the Alphabets of the four languages:—

Names.	Samaritan.			Hebrew or Chaldee.	Syriac.	Powers.
Aleph	Ⲁ	ⲁ	Ⲃ	א	ܐ	vowel <i>a</i> .
Beth	Ⲅ	ⲅ	Ⲇ	ב	ܒ	our <i>b</i> or <i>v</i> .
Gimel	Ⲉ	ⲉ	Ⲋ	ג	ܓ	<i>g</i> .
Daleth	Ⲍ	ⲍ	Ⲏ	ד	ܕ	<i>d</i> .
He	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	ה	ܚ	vowel <i>e</i> .
Vau	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	ו	ܘ	vowel <i>u</i> or consonant <i>v</i> .
Zain	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	ז	ܙ	<i>z</i> .
Cheth	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	ח	ܚ	guttural <i>k</i> .
Teth	Ⲗ	ⲗ	Ⲙ	ט	ܬ	<i>t</i> .
Yod	Ⲏ	ⲏ	Ⲑ	י	ܝ	vowel <i>i</i> or consonant <i>j</i> .
Kaph	Ⲓ	ⲓ	Ⲕ	כ	ܟ	a hard <i>c</i> .
Lamed	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	ל	ܠ	<i>l</i> .
Mem	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	מ	ܡ	<i>m</i> .
Nun	Ⲓ	ⲓ	Ⲕ	נ	ܢ	<i>n</i> .
Samech	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	ס	ܣ	<i>s</i> .
Ayin	Ⲗ	ⲗ	Ⲙ	ע	ܥ	vowel <i>o</i> .
Pe	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	פ	ܦ	<i>p</i> or <i>f</i> .
Tsade	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	צ	ܥ	<i>z</i> .
Coph	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	ק	ܩ	a very hard <i>k</i> .
Resch	Ⲕ	ⲕ	Ⲍ	ר	ܪ	<i>r</i> .
Schin	Ⲗ	ⲗ	Ⲙ	ש	ܫ	<i>sch</i> .
Tau	Ⲑ	ⲑ	Ⲓ	ת	ܬ	<i>th</i> .

The Samaritan Alphabet may be written in various ways. The first of the three columns of letters given above contains the Alphabet as edited by Brian Walton in his Polyglot Bible, and Edmund Castel in his Heptaglot Lexicon, and is the mode of writing adopted in this Grammar. The second column contains the Alphabet as adopted by Scaliger, and Leusdenius in his Syriac Grammar. The third column contains the letters which Castel affirms are especially used in MSS.

The Samaritans have no means of distinguishing between the Hebrew letters ש and שׁ, both of which may be represented by ש. There are only a few purely Hebrew words involving שׁ, in which that letter is represented by ש; as, שׁוֹן for שון; יִשְׂרָאֵל for ישראל, etc.; for in most other words, where analogy requires *Sin*, they imitate the Syrians, and use א; as, עֶשֶׂר for עשר, בִּשְׂר for בשר, etc.

The Samaritans have no *final* or *dilatable* forms, like the Hebrews, for any of the letters, but use the same form under all circumstances.

DIVISION OF LETTERS.

2. The letters of the Alphabet are divided into five classes, according to the *organs of speech* chiefly employed in articulating them; viz., Gutturals אבגדו; Labials כפצץ; Palatals טזחט; Linguals ילנשז; and Dentals טמאא. The preceding is the division of Castel. It will be seen hereafter, that the five letters אבגדו may be advantageously considered as vowels, or *matres lectionis*.

There is another division of letters into *Radicals* and *Serviles*. The *Radical* letters are those which constitute a *root* or *primitive* form. The *Serviles* such as are added to

the *Radicals* in derivation, conjugation, declension, and composition.

All the Serviles may be Radicals, but the Radicals are never Serviles. Those letters which are *essentially* Radical are, $\omega \text{ 9 p m } \omega \nabla \text{ 3 } \nabla \text{ 8 } \text{ 4 } \gamma$. The Serviles, which may also be Radicals are, $\text{ 1 } \text{ 2 } \text{ 3 } \text{ 4 } \text{ 5 } \text{ 6 } \text{ 7 } \text{ 8 } \text{ 9 } \text{ 0}$.

VOWELS.

3. The Samaritans have no points to mark the vowels, like the Hebrews. To remedy this defect, various means have been proposed. Some scholars are of opinion that the Hebræo-Chaldaic method of punctuation ought to be adopted; others the Syriac, among which the learned author of the Heptaglot may be mentioned: he says, “*Lingua Syriaca optima est ac certissima regula punctandi tam Chaldaica, quàm Samaritana.*”

Cellarius has taken the mean between these extremes, and, arguing from the fact that the Samaritan is for the most part a compound of Chaldee, Syriac, and Hebrew, he says, “*Liberiorem esse Samariticam pronunciationem, et quæ in linguâ illâ sunt purè Ebræa, Ebræo forsitan more efferri posse; quæ Syro-Chaldaica ad Syrorum indolem enunciari debere.*”

The remark of Hottinger, *Anti. Mor.* p. 34, that Jac. Golius had been informed by an individual acquainted with the Samaritans at Damascus, that the pronounciation of the latter was rough and inartificial, would, perhaps, justify the belief that such was the case in ancient times. This supposition receives confirmation from the fact that the Syrians and Arabs, who bordered as closely on the Hebrews as the

Samaritans, have never admitted into their languages all those subtle rules of punctuation adopted by the Jews.

The chief vowel or *mater lectionis* made use of by the Samaritans is \aleph , as is manifest from the frequent occurrence of this letter or its substitutes in Samaritan words. This fact must be carefully borne in mind, because in combinations of letters which cannot be properly pronounced without a vowel, we may suppose this vowel inserted.

The reader who is an advocate of the Masoretic punctuation cannot do better than follow the advice given by Cellarius. There is, however, no necessity for his doing so; for it is not only easy to read the Samaritan without points, but the whole of the Shemitic languages in which they are omitted. The questionable authenticity of those points ought to be a great objection to their use, especially in the Samaritan, where no regular system of punctuation has been adopted.

We may suppose, therefore, the letters \aleph , \aleph , \aleph , ∇ , \aleph , which are chiefly called *quiescents*, to be the vowels or *matres lectionis* which are to be employed in reading the Samaritan language. These letters are equivalent to our five vowels *a, e, i, o, u* respectively.

There cannot possibly be any objection to extend to the individual letters of the Samaritan exactly the same usage as is observed in our own language; thus, when any letter or consonant, as *b, d, g*, etc., is pronounced, we are compelled to add a short vowel to it, though that vowel is not expressed; thus, we pronounce the preceding letters *be, de, ge*, etc., adding the short vowel *e* to each. In the Sanscrit language the short *a* or अ is usually omitted. Thus कर where there are two consonants without a vowel, is pro-

nounced *kara*; कतर *katara*, etc. Moreover, in our own language, words with short vowels are usually pronounced so rapidly, that if the consonants were written without the vowels we should have no difficulty in recognising them; as, for instance, who does not immediately recognise the words *bkr*, *mckrl*, *mrnr*, *sllr*, etc., as *baker*, *mackerel*, *mariner*, *seller*, etc.? The same might be observed in other languages, where, on the omission of the *short* vowels, the consonants are sufficient to indicate the word. Vide Coptic Gram.

Judging, therefore, from analogy, it is reasonable to suppose that the short vowels were omitted in Samaritan words, while the long ones were usually expressed by the letters א, י, מ, נ, ר. And in every case where a vowel is required after a letter, we may suppose the *mater lectionis* to be the short *a* of the Sanscrit, and supply it accordingly.

We shall subjoin a specimen from Gen. i. 1, 2, of the manner in which the language may be read; presuming, of course, the student is aware that, in common with all the Shemitic languages (with the exception of the Abyssinian branch), the Samaritan is read from right to left.

<i>Samaritan.</i>	שמיא	·	אמ	·	אאלא	·	אלמא	·	אאראש
<i>Pronunciation.</i>	shumië		ith		Aleë		tlämäs		B'kămauthe
<i>Samaritan.</i>	אשחא	·	מרינא	·	אשחא	·	אא	·	אנא
<i>Pronunciation.</i>	v'kăshăce		v'rikni		shame		ëüth		V'aroë

The short vowels are marked; the others may be pronounced long and distinctly. The student will find no difficulty in reading, by adopting this course: we would, however, remind him of the pithy remark of Cellarius, “Linguas hasce addiscimus non tam colloquendi causâ, quàm intelligendi scripta monumenta Orientalium Populorum.”

4. The Samaritans distinguish each word by means of a thick point placed after the word; as, 22𐤔𐤕𐤔 · 𐤀𐤌2. At the end of a period they generally use the sign ::; sometimes the simple *distinctive* ·, at others -:. When the sense is suspended and imperfect, instead of our colon they substitute the sign ·· placed above the word and after it. Sometimes the single point is used instead of it, and *vice versâ*.

They have various signs to supply the place of our full stop; as, =-:, <:, =<, -<, or -:. The first is that which is more frequently used.

Sometimes between two verses or lines we find stops compounded of some of the preceding; as, <-:-==-:-<.

It must be observed, however, that these signs apparently depend on the caprice of the writer, and are found differently written in all the copies of the Pentateuch.

The small horizontal line - which is sometimes placed over letters, has various meanings. In the first place, it signifies that an ambiguous word is not to be taken in its usual acceptance; as, 𐤔𐤕𐤔 *a name*, but 𐤔𐤕𐤔 *Shem*, the son of Noah; 2𐤀𐤌 *God*, but 2𐤀𐤌 the preposition *to* or *at*. In the second place, it is a sign of *apocope*; as, 𐤀𐤌𐤀 for 𐤀𐤌𐤀 *thou*. Or else it is a sign of *cacography*; as, Gen. xxix. 32, 34, 𐤀𐤌𐤔𐤕𐤔 which ought to have been 𐤀𐤌𐤔𐤕𐤔 *his name*.

The Samaritans do not divide their words at the end of a line; but, if a word be too long, they reserve it for the next line; and, in the mean time, write the last word in such a manner that the two last letters may fall at the end of the line, divided from the rest of the word *without any mark*; as, 𐤀𐤌 𐤌𐤔2 · 𐤀𐤌𐤔 · 𐤔𐤕 with *Moses, saying*.

5. Before proceeding further, it is necessary to remark, that there are three parts of speech recognised in the

Grammar, viz. the Noun, Verb, and Particle; in which order they will be considered.

CHAPTER II.

THE NOUN.

1. THE Samaritan nouns, like the Hebrew, may be considered as having their roots in the verb. They are formed in various ways: some consist of radical letters alone; as, *𐤌𐤎* *a man*, *𐤓𐤕* *God*: others by the insertion of some quiescent letter; as, *𐤒𐤌𐤕𐤌* *a goat*, *𐤒𐤕𐤌* *a judge*, etc.; or by the addition of a letter or letters to the beginning or end of the root; as, *𐤕𐤕𐤕* *a word*, *𐤕𐤕𐤌* *a judgment*.

Some are derived from *imperfect* verbs; as, *𐤒𐤌𐤕* *a stranger*, *𐤌𐤕𐤎* *history*, etc.

The quadriliteral nouns are such as are composed of four radical letters. They are usually read with some quiescent; as, *𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕* *a treaty*.

The adjectives are found to vary in their formation, like nouns substantive; as, *𐤌𐤌𐤕* *holy*, *𐤓𐤕𐤕* *pitiful*, *𐤕𐤕𐤕* *naked*, etc.

In a rudimentary Grammar like the present, a critical discussion of the various senses of the nouns, according to the *species* of the verb from which they are derived, would be out of place. The Lexicon will supply their senses, which will be sufficient for all practical purposes.

In the Samaritan, as well as in the other Shemitic or Syro-Arabian languages, there are only two genders, Masculine and Feminine.

The Feminine supplies the place of a Neuter gender.

Nouns of the Masculine gender are usually known by their *termination* or *signification*. By the former, when they end in a *radical* letter, or *servile* other than א or ל*; as, אִישׁ *a man*, מִלְכָּם *an Hebrew*; by the latter, when the subject of the noun is masculine; as, אֱלֹהִים *God*.

Nouns of the Feminine gender are also known by their *termination* or *signification*. By the former, when they end in א and ל*; as, אִמָּה *a maid servant*; by the latter, when the subject of the noun is *essentially* feminine; as, רָחֵל *Rachel*, Gen. xxxiii. 7; אִמָּה *a mother*, Exod. xx. 12.

The nouns expressing districts and cities are generally feminine. Sometimes under one termination both genders are included. This is especially the case with the names of animals, as in the Hebrew.

Some nouns, though terminating in an essential masculine characteristic, are, however, feminine; as, Lev. v. 1, אֶרֶץ · אִשׁ · וְנֶפֶשׁ *and when a soul sins*. So אֶרֶץ *the earth*, נְשָׁמָה *breath*, עֵינָהּ *an eye*. As no fixed rules can be given for determining the genders, they can only be acquired by reading and observation.

There are two Numbers,—the Singular and Plural. It is scarcely necessary to recognise a Dual number, since, in consequence of the absence of diacritical points in the Samaritan, there are no means of distinguishing it from the plural.

Cellarius apparently inclines to the opinion, that the dual number, if it occur at all, is not supported by sufficiently conclusive examples to justify us in attempting to establish it as one of the essential numbers of the Samaritan language.

* Nouns in ז and מ, apocopated for אֶלֶז and אֶלֶמ (§ 5, 9) are however feminine.

Morinus, however, is of opinion, that *℣* inserted before the termination is probably characteristic of the dual; thus, *שְׁמֹרֶתְכֶם* Gen. xxvii. 36. Many exceptions may be taken to the use of this letter as an essential mark of the dual number, and none stronger than that of *שְׁמֹרֶתְךָ* in Exod. xvi. 29, where it is absolutely necessary that the Hebrew dual *יְמִיִּם* should be emphatically marked, so as to prevent the possibility of confounding it with the plural,—such, however, is not the case. The terminal *℣*, which is supported by Castel, does not depend upon sufficiently conclusive examples to justify its adoption as a mark of this number. All the *pertinent* examples produced of it by the learned author of the Heptaglot are accompanied by numerals, which, in the absence of a *characteristic* termination of the noun, supply the place of the dual number. The termination *℣* is evidently plural. The same remarks apply to the form *שְׁמֹרֶתְךָ* in Gen. xxxiii. 1, which is accompanied by the numeral; as, *שְׁמֹרֶתְךָ שְׁנֵי מַלְאָכִים* two handmaids.

The existence of a dual in the Hebrew language, essentially different from the plural, is entirely due to the Masoretic points. In such cases as the one given above from Exod. xvi. 29, where there is an apparent necessity for distinguishing the numbers, it is doubtful whether this distinction is not as clearly pointed out by the *context*, independent of the diacritical distinction, as it would be by the addition of a numeral which removes all ambiguity. And in the case just mentioned this numeral is actually expressed in the Syriac; as, *ܫܡܪܬܟܝܡ*.

STATES OF NOUNS.

2. The Samaritans, like the Syro-Chaldees, have three

states or forms of nouns, viz., the absolute, emphatic, and constructive. In each of these states we have to consider the formation of gender and number.

ABSOLUTE STATE.

3. *Singular Masculine*.—Every noun which is used *simply* or *absolutely*, or which does not govern another usually expressed by our genitive, is said to be in the *absolute* state; as, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *a king*, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *a master*, etc.

4. *Plural Masculine*.—The affinity which the Samaritan bears to the Chaldaeo-Syriac, might lead us to expect that the plural termination 𐤍 of the latter would be far more used than the Hebrew 𐤍. Such, however, is not the case, as the more usual form is 𐤍; thus, 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍 *days*, 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍 *judges*, etc. Cellarius rightly affirms that the vast majority of nouns are thus formed.

The Syro-Chaldaic form will also be found, though, comparatively speaking, rarely; as, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *sons*, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *eyes*, etc.

Nouns ending in 𐤍 omit one of the consecutive *yods*, which concur in affixing the plural terminal; as, Exod. xxxiv. 24, 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍 · 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍 *many nations*, for · 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍 𐤍𐤍𐤏𐤍.

Some masculine nouns form their plural like those of the feminine gender; as, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *fathers*, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *names*.

The two nouns, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *life*, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *a countenance*, have no singular number: this is also the case with some others.

The Hebrew ecthlipsis of 𐤍 in the formation of the plural number is also to be remarked; thus, 𐤁𐤏𐤍 *houses*, from 𐤁𐤏𐤍 in the singular number, the Hebrew plural being 𐤁𐤏𐤍.

5. *Feminine Singular*.—The feminine singular of this state

is formed by adding the *suffix* א; as, אַזְרָא *a maid servant*, אַמָּא *a beast*, from זְרָא, אָמָּא respectively.

As regards the termination א, Cellarius doubts whether it is *legitimately* employed here in expressing the feminine; he refers all nouns in אָ and אַ to the *constructive* rather than to the *absolute* state.

Characteristic of this gender also are ז and מ; as, Exod. xx. 16, זָרְעָא *testimony*; Deut. x. 18, מָלְכָא *a garment*.

The adjectives in this state have no other mark for the feminine than א; as, אַמְּרָא *living*, masc., אַמְּרָא, fem.; אַמְּרָא *Egyptian*, masc., אַמְּרָא, fem. This is the case also with all names of people and races.

6. *Feminine Plural*.—The feminine plural is formed by the *suffix* נ, the Chaldee ל; as, אַמְּרָנָא *complete*, אַמְּרָנָא *blessings*, אַמְּרָנָא *great*, etc.: נ may also be preceded by א; as, אַמְּרָנָא *cities*, אַמְּרָנָא *kine*, from אַמְּרָא, אַמְּרָא respectively.

The feminine nouns אַמְּרָנָא *years*, אַמְּרָנָא *words*, אַמְּרָנָא *stones*, etc., follow the masculine gender in the plural number. So with אַמְּרָנָא *women*, which has no singular number.

EMPHATIC STATE.

7. *Masculine Singular*.—When a noun is to be expressed *emphatically*, this is done by *affixing* א to the noun, which is then said to be in the *emphatic state*; as, אַזְרָא *God*, אַמָּא *the man*, אַמְּרָא *the people*, etc. Sometimes the Hebrew *prefix* ה is employed, especially with pronouns and participles, as will be seen in the Chapter on the Particles. Such cases are, however, rare, and foreign to the genius of a language, which from its Syro-Chaldaic sympathies, denoted the emphatic state by a *suffix*, not a *prefix*.

Nouns ending in *מֶ* on assuming the *suffix* *א* drop the penult. *מ*; as, *אֶלֶף* *the Hebrew*, for *אֶמֶלֶף*. Similarly, *שְׁלֹשָׁה* *third*, *אַרְבָּעָה* *fourth*, from *מֶלֶךְ* and *מֶלֶךְ* respectively, etc.

8. *Masculine Plural*.—Like the Chaldee, the *absolute* terminal *מ* becomes *אֶמ*; as, *בָּתִּים* *houses*, for *בָּתִּים*, etc.

Nouns in *מ* of the *absol. sing.*, instead of *אֶמ* in the plural *emphat.*, adopt *אֶמֶל*; as, *בָּנִים* *boys*, from *בֶּן*, etc.

The names of races and patronymics end in *מֶ*, as in *absol. sing.*; thus, *לֵוִיִּם* *Levites*, *כְּנַעֲנִים* *Canaanites*, etc.

Nouns only found in the plural are regularly inflected; as, *חַיִּים* *life*, from *חַיִּים*; *שָׁמַיִם* *the heavens*, from *שָׁמַיִם*, etc.

Similarly *אִמֹּת* *women* (fem.), is derived from the *absolute* *אִמֹּת* or *אִמֹּת*.

9. *Feminine Singular*.—The feminine singular of this state is formed by changing the *absolute* terminal *א* into *אֶ*; as, *אֶרֶץ* *the earth*, from *אֶרֶץ*; *קֹדֶשׁ* *holy*, from *קֹדֶשׁ*, etc.

Nouns ending in *ז* and *מ* add *אֶ*; as, *אֶלֶף* from *אֶלֶף*; *שְׁלֹשָׁה* from *שְׁלֹשָׁה*, etc. Cellarius considers the emphatic forms of such words as having been once the *absolute*, whence by *apocope* those in *ז* and *מ* arose.

Some nouns are feminine in gender, but masculine in the termination of their *absolute* state; as, *נֶפֶשׁ* *the soul*, *יָד* *a hand*, etc. Such words form their *emphatic* state like nouns masculine; as, *נֶפֶשׁ*, *אֶרֶץ*; similarly *אֶרֶץ* *the land*. The use of the letter *א* in *אֶרֶץ* *thy land*, Deut. xxi. 23, presupposes an *absolute* form *אֶרֶץ*. Vide Chap. IV. § 11.

10. *Feminine Plural*.—This is more frequently used than the *absolute*, from which it is formed by changing *ז* into

אל, if ל be preceded by א or א, but if not, into אלא; as, אלאמאר from לאמאר, אלאבאב from לבאב; אלאמלא wonders, אלאבאב beasts, or with א for א as in Gen. i. 26, Deut. xxxiv. 11. Similarly from לאאמא Egyptians (fem.), we have, dropping מ, אלאאמא; from לאאאב Hebrews, comes אלאאאב; also without מ, Exod. i. 19.

The following masculine nouns are similarly formed, viz., אלאבא fathers, אלאבא names, אלאבאב fishes, Num. xi. 5, from אבאב or מבאב from Chald. אבאב.

CONSTRUCTIVE STATE.

11. *Masculine Singular.*—This is the same as the *absolute* masculine singular. The nouns אב father, אב brother, assume מ in the constructive state like the Hebrew; as, Gen. x. 21, אבמ · מאב · אב · מאב · לב · מאב · אבא He was the father of all the sons of Eber, brother of Japheth.

The noun אב, though often used by the Hebrews, is usually replaced among the Samaritans by מאב Gen. xiv. 12; אמא xxii. 23.

12. *Masculine Plural.*—The terminal letters of the *absolute* and *emphatic* masculine plural, viz. ב, ל, א are omitted in the formation of the *constructive* state; thus, אמאבאב angels in the absolute state, becomes מאבאב in the constructive; as, אמאבאב · מאבאב angels of God; · מאבאב אמא face of the water, etc.

13. *Feminine Singular.*—This is formed from the *emphatic* state of the same number and gender, by omitting the final letter א and retaining the penult. א; as, · אבאמא the wickedness of man; which is אבאמא in the emphatic state; אבא · אבאמא the word of God; · אבאמא אבא beast of the earth, from אמא, or אבאמא.

14. *Feminine Plural*.—The *constructive* feminine plural ends in א, the Chaldee ת. The *mater lectionis* א sometimes precedes this termination; as, Gen. xlix. 26, אֲבִיךָ וְאִמְךָ the blessings of thy father and thy mother have prevailed; Gen. vi. 2, בָּנוֹת הָאָדָם the daughters of the man.

The following masculine nouns follow this form; viz. אָבִיךָ father, אֲשֵׁמָה names, אֲמִנְכָה fishes. Examples are, Num. xxxi. 26, אֲבִיכֶם וְאִמְכֶם וְרָאשֵׁיכֶם the heads of the fathers of the congregation; Gen. xxxvi. 40, אֲשֵׁמָה וְאִמְכֶם the names of the dukes of Esau; Gen. i. 26, אֲשֵׁמָה וְאִמְכֶם fishes of the sea.

These observations will be sufficient to show the modes employed in forming the different states of nouns.

CASES.

15. The genitive case is the only one marked by inflection; the others are formed by *prefixing* prepositions to the nouns, sometimes *separable*, sometimes *inseparable*.

The genitive case is not only formed *constructively*, after the manner explained in § 11–14, but also with the Syriac prefix ܐ; as, Gen. xxii. 18, ܐܬܪܐ ܕܐܪܥܐ . ܐܬܪܐ ܕܠܗ all the people of the earth; Exod. xx. 16, ܐܬܪܐ ܕܠܗ false witness; Num. xxi. 9, ܐܬܪܐ ܕܠܗ brazen serpent. This case-mark is far more frequently used by the Syrians than the Samaritans.

The dative and ablative cases are formed by *inseparable* prefixes; as, ܕܠܗ to thy sons, ܕܠܗ in my name, etc.; also by *separables*, as, ܠܗ from the house, ܠܗ between the people, etc.

The accusative or objective case is formed by prefixing

the *separable* word 𐤀𐤌 (the Chaldee 𐤒) to the noun; as, 𐤔𐤈𐤁𐤏 · 𐤀𐤌𐤓 · 𐤔𐤌𐤔𐤓𐤕𐤕 · 𐤀𐤌 *the heavens and the earth*. Sometimes by *prefixing* 𐤔𐤈, which is properly a preposition signifying *with* like the Hebrew 𐤒; as, Exod. iv. 25, 𐤔𐤓𐤈𐤈 · 𐤔𐤈 · 𐤀𐤔𐤌𐤈𐤈𐤈 *she cut off the foreskin*; Exod. xx. 24, 𐤌𐤔𐤕 · 𐤔𐤈 · 𐤀𐤁𐤔𐤓𐤏 *I have recorded my name*. In all these cases it is probable that the preposition 𐤔𐤈 has, as far as we are aware, lost its original force and become redundant; though, from the similar instances found in other languages, this construction would seem to have originally arisen from phrases in which the force of the preposition was emphatically marked. The same remarks apply to 𐤔𐤕 in Exod. xxxii. 35, where we find 𐤔𐤔𐤈 · 𐤔𐤕 · 𐤓𐤏𐤏 *he plagued the people*.

As in other languages, in the absence of a particle, the active verb is a sign of the accusative case.

The vocative case is the same as the nominative.

COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES.

16. There are three degrees of comparison: the positive, comparative, and superlative; each of which is defined as in other languages.

Of the *positive* degree nothing need be said.

The *comparative* is formed by 𐤔𐤕, a preposition conveying an idea of superiority; as, 𐤔𐤈𐤁𐤏 · 𐤔𐤈 · 𐤔𐤕 · 𐤔𐤌𐤓𐤏 *more than the people of the land*, Exod. v. 5; 𐤌𐤔𐤕 · 𐤔𐤈𐤔𐤕𐤕 *more righteous than I*, Gen. xxxviii. 26.

The *superlative* is formed by an adverb; as, Gen. i. 31, 𐤁𐤌𐤕𐤕 · 𐤈𐤈 *very good*: or by doubling the positive; as, 𐤁𐤌𐤕𐤕 · 𐤁𐤌𐤕𐤕𐤈 *very greatly*, Gen. xvii. 2.

NUMERALS.

17. The numeral nouns are divided into two classes, Cardinal and Ordinal; as their construction is sufficiently explained in the Syntax on Adjectives, it will be sufficient in this place to give tables of both classes.

The following is a Table of the Cardinals:—

	<i>Masc.</i>	<i>Fem.</i>
One	ᐃᑦᐅᐅ	ᐃᐱᐅᐅ
Two	ᐅᐅᐱᐱ	ᐅᐅᐱᐱᐱ
Three	ᐱᐅᐱ	ᐃᐱᐅᐱ
Four	ᐅᐅᐱᐱ	ᐃᐅᐅᐱᐱ
Five	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ	ᐃᐅᐅᐅᐅ
Six	ᐱᐅᐅ	ᐃᐱᐅᐅ and ᐱᐱᐅᐅ
Seven	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ	ᐃᐅᐅᐅᐅ
Eight	ᐅᐅᐱᐱ	ᐃᐅᐅᐱᐱ
Nine	ᐅᐅᐱᐱ	ᐃᐅᐅᐱᐱ
Ten	ᐱᐅᐅᐅ	ᐃᐱᐅᐅᐅ
Twenty	ᐅᐅᐱᐅᐅᐅ	
Thirty	ᐅᐅᐱᐱᐅᐅ	
Forty	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Fifty	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Sixty	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Seventy	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Eighty	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Ninety	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ	
Hundred	ᐅᐱᐱᐅᐅᐅ	
Thousand	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ	

In the formation of the numerals between ten and a hundred, the *less* is commonly put before the *greater*; as,

᠑᠗᠇ · ᠭᠳᠺ *eleven*, ᠰᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠ · ᠠᠵᠠ *eighty-three*, etc. This rule is, however, relaxed in the case of numbers exceeding a hundred; as, ᠭᠠᠰᠠ · ᠰᠠᠨᠠ᠗᠇ᠳᠠ · ᠭᠠᠰᠠ · ᠑᠑ · ᠭᠠᠰᠠᠰᠠᠳᠠ *but Moses was a son of one hundred and twenty years*, Deut. xxxiv. 7.

In the Samaritan language, as in the other oriental tongues, the *ordinal* numbers do not exceed ten: beyond that, their place is supplied by the cardinal; as, Num. xxxiii. 38, ᠰᠠᠨ᠇᠑ᠠᠭᠠᠭ · ᠠᠵᠠᠰᠠ *in the fortieth year*.

The Ordinals are:—

First	ᠳᠺᠠᠭ or ᠳᠺ	Sixth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠰ
Second	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠵᠠ	Seventh	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠳᠠ
Third	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠵᠠ	Eighth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠵᠠ
Fourth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠳᠠ	Ninth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠵᠠ
Fifth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠵᠠ	Tenth	ᠭᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠵᠠᠳᠠ

The forms ᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠᠳᠠ and ᠠᠨᠠᠰᠠ are also read for ᠳᠺᠠᠭ.

These numerals are sometimes found to end in ᠭᠠᠭ instead of ᠭᠠ, a termination which may be compared with the Chaldee 𐤅.

The *distributive* numerals are expressed by repeating the cardinals; as, ᠰᠠᠨᠠᠵᠠ · ᠰᠠᠨᠠᠵᠠ *two by two*, etc.

For further information upon this subject, the student is referred to the Syntax.

CHAPTER III.

THE VERB.

1. THE second part of speech is the verb, which we now proceed to consider; and, in so doing, two things claim especial attention:—First, the *species* of the verb, by which are meant its various forms and conjugations:—Secondly, the mode of inflecting each *species* or *form* through its moods, tenses, and persons.

2. The *primitive species* consists of radical letters alone (generally three in number), as in the Hebrew.

3. The *derivative species* are formed from the *primitive* by the addition of servile letters, which mark the peculiar characteristics of each.

4. Edmund Castel, in his Heptaglot Lexicon, recognises in the Samaritan as many different *species* of the verb, or as many *forms* as are found among the Syrians and Chaldees; that is, six,—three active and three passive: the active are respectively called Pehal, Pahel, and Aphel; and the corresponding passives, Ethpehel, Ethpahal, and Ettaphal. The *primitive species* is Pehal; all the rest are *derivative*. Morinus, however, is of opinion that, in consequence of the absence of diacritical points in the Samaritan dialect, there are only three distinct conjugations, viz. Pehal, Aphel, and Ethpehel or Ethpahal.

The difference of opinion which exists between Castel and Morinus, as to the number of conjugations may be reconciled by regarding the two conjugations Pehal and Pahel of the

former, which appear to differ but slightly in form, as one and the same *species*; and the three passive *forms*, whose individuality cannot be easily discerned, as in reality but one form; we have then only three conjugations.

Castel's division is, however, not only supported by Syro-Chaldæan usage, but in the Samaritan language itself there is, doubtlessly, evidence to show that *Pehal* and *Pahel* are not only distinct in signification but also frequently in form. This is especially the case in the infinitives and participles, as may be inferred from the few examples which Cellarius has given in his Grammar: he quotes 𐤒𐤓𐤁 of the conjugation *Pehal* from Exod. xx. 5, which is used in the sense of *visiting*, whereas 𐤒𐤓𐤁𐤌 of the conjugation *Pahel* is found in Deut. iv. 2, in the sense of *commanding*. Compare also 𐤏𐤒𐤓𐤁 Gen. xii. 3; 𐤒𐤓𐤁𐤌 Num. xxiii. 10, etc., "quæ frustra ad *Pehal* reduxeris, partim *formatione*, partim *significatione* repugnante."

The individuality of the passive *forms* cannot be so defended: generally speaking, there is apparently no reason why they should not be considered one and the same, though used in different senses. There can scarcely be any doubt, however, that the Samaritans and the other tribes of the Shemitic family were able to distinguish accurately in pronunciation the different senses of a word consisting of the same combination of letters; or, at least, that the sense could easily be conjectured "ex serie orationis," supposing the pronunciation the same; under these circumstances we shall adopt the division of Castel, and in the first place give the signification of each of these *species*, upon which their classification must depend in the absence of distinct forms.

5. The first conjugation, or *Pehal*, the Chaldee *Pehal*,

and Hebrew *Kal*, has simply an active transitive or intransitive signification; as, בָּעַל *he sold*, נָסַח *he ceased*.

The second conjugation, or *Ethpehel*, is the passive of *Pehal*; and, like the Chaldee *Ethpehel* and Hebrew *Niphal*, has, generally speaking, a passive signification; as, וַיִּפְתָּח *because there he was revealed unto him*, Gen. xxxv. 7; $\text{וְלֹא תִסְמְכוּ אִתָּם וְנִסְמְכְתֶּם$ *ye shall not make yourselves unclean with them, that ye be defiled thereby*, Lev. xi. 43.

The third conjugation, or *Pahel*, the *Piel* of the Hebrews, has various senses. First, when the signification of *Pehal* is intransitive, this conjugation renders it transitive; thus, וְהָיִיתָ *thou shalt return*, Gen. iii. 19, of the conjugation *Pehal* is intransitive, but in *Pahel* it is transitive; as, וְהָיִיתִי *must I certainly bring back thy son*, Gen. xxiv. 5. It is causative, Gen. xv. 11, וְהָיִיתָ *Abraham caused them to go away*. Sometimes also it is intensive

The fourth conjugation, or *Ethpahal*, is the passive of the preceding, and as *Pahel* is frequently causative in an active sense, this is causative in a passive one; as, $\text{וְנִסְמְכְתֶּם$ *were finished*, Gen. ii. 1, in the sense of having been *caused to be made or finished*.

The fifth conjugation, or *Aphel*, the *Hiphil* of the Hebrew, is usually the causative of *Pehal*; as, $\text{וַיִּסְמְכוּ$ *and caused it to be led about*, Exod. xiii. 18. It may have the sense of permitting, declaring, exhibiting what is indicated by *Pehal*: as also a passive sense; thus, וְנִסְמְכְתֶּם *he shall be slain*, Num. xviii. 7; וְנִסְמְכְתֶּם *they were anointed*, Num. iii. 3, etc.

The sixth conjugation, like the Hebrew *Hithpael*, is generally reflexive; as, וְנִסְמְכְתֶּם *he shall cleanse himself*,

𐤀𐤕𐤕𐤀𐤓𐤌 *he shall purify himself*. It is sometimes found *actively*; as, 𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤀𐤓𐤀 *they desired*, Num. xi. 4.

We have previously stated, § 1; that each species is inflected through moods, tenses, numbers, persons, and genders.

There are three modes, the indicative, imperative, and infinitive. There is no difference between the subjunctive or potential mood and the indicative in *form*; they can only be distinguished by the sense or context.

The indicative is susceptible of a definition similar to that given to it in other languages.

The imperative mood is only used in commanding, exhorting, or imprecating; its place is supplied by the future in forbidding, dissuading, and deprecating.

The infinitive mood expresses an action or passion; sometimes an intransitive notion *indefinitely*, that is, without restriction to time, person, number, and gender, all of which are regarded in the *finite* verb. This mood exactly resembles the noun in its use, inasmuch as it is capable of receiving *nominal* constructions, especially when used with the prefixes 𐤕, 𐤌, 𐤔, 𐤅. Moreover, the sense resulting from combination with these prefixes is such as is usually conveyed, or may be usually conveyed, by verbal nouns, and hence it is that De Sacy, in his Arabic Grammar, prefers to consider *infinitives* as *verbal nouns*. For instance, the word 𐤓𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕, which is *when I sent*, may also be rendered by a verbal noun *on my sending*. This is also the case in the Hebrew, which, as well as the Samaritan, approximates to the terse mode of construction followed by the Greeks, who use the article with the infinitive, as, ἐν τῷ πέμπειν. This idiom is further exemplified in the Syntax.

The participle is nothing more than a noun adjective,

carrying with it a notion of action or passion; it is scarcely necessary to remark that the laws for the formation of gender, number, etc., are the same as those for nouns adjective.

There are two *tenses* in the indicative *alone*, the perfect and future. To express our present tense, the same method is adopted as among the Hebrews. Vide Syntax.

The *numbers* are two, singular and plural.

The *persons* in each number of the perfect and future of the indicative are three; but in the imperative mood there is only one person in each number, viz. the second; the place of the third is supplied by the future tense.

There are two *genders*, masculine and feminine. It will be observed that the first persons in each number are common.

Subjoined is a Paradigm of a regular verb through its different conjugations.

I. PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M. ᠰᠦᠯᠤ	ᠰᠦᠯᠤᠰ
	{ F. ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ	ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤᠰ
2.	{ M. ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ	ᠨᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤᠰ
	{ F. ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ	ᠨᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤᠰ
1.	ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ and ᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ	ᠨᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ and ᠨᠠᠰᠦᠯᠤ

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ԳՐՁԹ	նչԳՐՁԹ
	{ F.	ԳՐՁԻ	նԳՐՁԹ
2.	{ M.	ԳՐՁԻ	նչԳՐՁԻ
	{ F.	ԹԳՐՁԻ	նԳՐՁԻ
1.		ԳՐՁԻ	ԳՐՁ

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	{ M.	ԳՐՁ	չԳՐՁ
	{ F.	ԹԳՐՁ	նԳՐՁ and չՆԳՐՁ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ԳՐՁ ԳՉՐՁ չԳՐՁ չԳՉՐՁ

Also [according to Cellarius],

ԳՐՁԷ ԳՉՐՁԷ չԳՐՁԷ*

PARTICIPLES.

<i>Present.</i>		<i>Past.</i>	
M.	F.	M.	F.
ԳՐՁ	ՉԳՐՁ	ԳԹՐՁ	ՉԳԹՐՁ

* These forms belong rather to the third conjugation. Vide § 10.

II. ETHPEHEL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ጥፃፃሉሉ	ጥፃፃሉሉ
	{ F.	ሉጥፃሉሉ	ጠጥፃሉሉ
2.	{ M.	ሉጥፃሉሉ	ኃጥፃሉሉ
	{ F.	ሉጥፃሉሉ	ኃሉጥፃሉሉ
1.		ሉጥፃሉሉ	ኃኃጥፃሉሉ

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ጥፃሉጠ	ኃጥፃሉጠ
	{ F.	ጥፃሉሉ	ኃጥፃሉሉ
2.	{ M.	ጥፃሉሉ	ኃጥፃሉሉ
	{ F.	ጠጥፃሉሉ	ኃጥፃሉሉ
1.		ጥፃሉሉ	ጥፃሉኃ

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	{ M.	ጥፃሉሉ	ጥፃፃሉሉ
	{ F.	ጠጥፃሉሉ	ጥፃፃሉሉ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ጥፃፃሉሉ ሉጥፃሉሉ ሉጥፃሉሉ

PARTICIPLE.

ጥፃሉኝ

III. PAHEL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

Same as the Perfect of the First Conjugation.

Future Tense.

Same as that of Pehal.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2. {	M. ᠰᠦᠫᠤ	ᠰᠦᠫᠤ
	F. ᠮᠡᠰᠦᠫᠤ	ᠰᠦᠫᠤ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ᠰᠦᠫᠤ

PARTICIPLE.

ᠰᠦᠫᠤ

IV. ETHPAHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

Same as the Perfect of Ethpehel.

Future Tense.

Same as that of Ethpehel.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Same as that of the Third Conjugation.

INFINITIVE MOOD.

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ለጥጥሩ

PARTICIPLE.

ጥጥሩ

V. APHEL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

Person.		Singular.	Plural.
3.	M.	ጥጥሩ	ጥጥሩ
	F.	ለጥጥሩ	ለጥጥሩ
2.	M.	ለጥጥሩ	ለጥጥሩ
	F.	ለጥጥሩ	ለጥጥሩ
1.		ለጥጥሩ	ለጥጥሩ

Future Tense.

Same as that of Pehal.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Person.		Singular.	Plural.
2.	M.	ጥጥሩ	ጥጥሩ
	F.	ለጥጥሩ	ለጥጥሩ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

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PARTICIPLE.

ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ and ᐅᐅᐅᐅ

VI. ETTAPHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

Same as the Perfect of Ethpehel.

Future Tense.

Same as that of the Second Conjugation.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Same as that of Ethpehel.

INFINITIVE MOOD.

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PARTICIPLE.

Very rarely occurs, perhaps not at all.

7. Upon the first conjugation, the following observations will be found useful.

The preterite of the indicative of this conjugation is formed like the Syriac, and differs both from the Hebrew and Chaldee. The difference between the Hebrew and Samaritan in the *singular* is apparent in the third person feminine; the former ending in ך, and the latter in ך. In the *plural* number, the Samaritan and Hebrew differ widely, especially in the first and third person; the difference is not so great between the Samaritan and Chaldee, though remarkable in the first and third person feminine, both of which end in ך. Sometimes, however, the *servile* letter ך is adopted, as in the Arabic كَتَبُوا, after the masculine termination ָ, as will be seen from the examples ָ׃׃׃׃׃ Gen. xlix. 23, and ָ׃׃׃׃׃ Num. xxxii. 39. It must not be forgotten, however, that in most cases of this kind the pronominal suffix ָ is found; so that ך would seem to have been added for the purpose of distinguishing more emphatically between the verbal termination and the suffix.

It will, perhaps, be as well to observe, that the suffix ך of the first person singular may be considered as attached to the verbal root by the vowel ך; for, as Morinus has observed, ך is sometimes expressed, as in Exod. xxxiv. 18, ָ׃׃׃׃׃ I have commanded thee. This expression of ך may be accounted for on the ground that, as all the characteristic terminations of the persons are derivable from the pronouns expressing those persons respectively, we may suppose the whole of the pronoun of the first person, viz. ׃׃׃׃*,

* The inserted letter ָ, if we suppose it changed into ך, will give the suffix for forming the first person singular, as ׃׃׃׃׃.

added to the root of the verb, without omitting the \aleph . This will lead us also to determine the vowels by which the other suffixes may be supposed attached to the root, as the second person singular, masculine and feminine, and the whole of the plural, whose initial letters being \aleph , we may suppose this to be the *mater lectionis* by which they are connected with the verbal root.

The first person plural is usually expressed by double \beth ; still it is to be found with a single \beth in the Pentateuch, as the instance produced by Cellarius, from Num. xxi. 7, will prove, where $\beth\aleph\aleph$ *we have spoken*, is read.

8. The future tense of this conjugation is decidedly Chaldaic in its formation; it agrees as closely with the Chaldee as the perfect does with the Syriac, because, though the second person feminine singular is found usually without the paragogic \beth , it is frequently employed. The last radical of the verb in the future tense is sometimes preceded by \aleph , the Syriac \mathring{o} , and Hebrew $\dot{\imath}$; as, $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ Gen. vi. 7, for $\aleph\aleph\aleph$. The termination $\beth\aleph$ of the second and third person plural is sometimes read \aleph with the omission of the \beth ; thus, $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ Num. xxxv. 6, $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ Gen. viii. 22. This ecthipsis of Nun no doubt induced Castel and Morinus to consider it as paragogic; the frequent occurrence, however, of this letter, as well as the coincidence of the future generally with the Chaldee, would seem to be a great objection to the opinion entertained by those two scholars.

9. In the imperative mood, the Syriac \mathring{o} is very rarely found before the last syllable. It must also be observed, that, in the imperative mood, examples of the plural feminine are very rare. Cellarius gives the following instances: $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ Gen. iv. 23, $\aleph\aleph\aleph$ Exod. ii. 20.

10. In the paradigm we have given various forms of the infinitive of *Pehal*, which is sometimes accompanied by the Syriac ܠ, but is more frequently without it; the form with ܠ being chiefly confined to *Pahel*; in fact, there appears to be no reason why this form should not be *exclusively* confined to *Pahel* (except in the case of the infinitive of *Aphel*, which is generally known by the termination ܐܠ), especially when we consider that *Pehal* and *Pahel* have frequently the same force, like *Kal* and *Piel* in the Hebrew. It must be observed that the *form* with ܠ is seldom used when the infinitive is construed with its verb; as, ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܡܢܐ, the governing preposition ܐ being omitted. The *form* frequently made use of among the Hebrews in this construction is the infinitive of *Kal*, which being usually rendered in the Samaritan version by the infinitive without ܠ, is, to say the least of it, a circumstance which favours the supposition previously made, that the *form* without the prefix ܠ is exclusively confined to *Pehal*, while that with ܠ belongs to some of the other conjugations.

In some instances we find ܐ placed before the last radical; as, Num. xxiii. 11, ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ *thou hast certainly blessed*; ܠܠܡܢܐ *in gathering together*, etc. This is frequently the case in the construction followed in the first example; thus, ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ *just gone out*, Gen. xxvii. 30; ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ Gen. xxxi. 30. The paragogic ܐ of the infinitive is changed to ܠ before suffixes; as, Num. x. 36, ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ *when it rested*, where the paragogic ܐ has been changed to ܠ before the suffix ܐ. The same may be said of the *metabole* of ܐ into ܠܐ before suffixes, and when the infinitive is in construction; as, ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ *to purify them*, Num. viii. 7, 21; ܠܠܡܢܐ ܠܠܡܢܐ *from loving you*, Deut. vii. 8.

11. The first conjugation has two participles, called Benoni and Pehil, corresponding to the Chaldee participles of the same name; the former answers in sense to the Latin participle in *ens*; the latter generally to the perfect participle in *tus*; thus, 𐤁𐤍𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *they who ascend*, οἱ ἀναβαίνοντες; 𐤁𐤍𐤏𐤕𐤁 *blessed*, ὁ εὐλογημένος.

Cellarius has given numerous instances in which he considers the active participle as having 𐤏 before the last radical; thus, 𐤁𐤏𐤕𐤁 *he that sheddeth*, Gen. ix. 6; 𐤁𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *he that possesseth*, Gen. xiv. 19; 𐤕𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *he that revengeth*, Num. xxxv. 21. I strongly suspect, however, that these instances, and others which are met with, are nouns substantive, formed by means of the servile letter 𐤏. Compare 𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *a judge*, 𐤕𐤏𐤕𐤁 *a murderer*, 𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏, and a multitude of others, all of which are nouns. Cellarius states that Pehil has sometimes an active signification; and gives, as an instance of this, 𐤁𐤍𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏, Gen. xxiv. 13, which he renders “egredientes;” it is manifest, however, from the passage, that it preserves its usual passive sense; the action denoted by it being one which is manifestly more *perfect* than *inchoative*.

Pehil is found, in Deut. xxi. 23, with 𐤏 instead of 𐤍; as, 𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *he that is hanged*. There are cases also in which this participle seems to have the force of the aorist in Greek; as, for instance, 𐤕𐤍𐤏𐤕𐤁 ὁ κτανὼν.

Both participles are sometimes found, like nouns adjective, with 𐤁 emphatic.

12. Remarks on the second conjugation:—The rules observed in the Hebrew for transposing the *sibilants*, on account of the passive character 𐤌, are also found in the three passive conjugations of the Samaritan; as, 𐤁𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *shall be shed*, Gen. ix. 6; 𐤕𐤏𐤕𐤁𐤏 *was beheld*, Exod. ii. 12.

Moreover, after this transposition, if the first radical be Λ , the Tau is changed into 𐤅 ; if it be 𐤌 , into 𐤆 ; as, 𐤐𐤅𐤅𐤠𐤌 *he shall be called*, Gen. xvii. 5, for 𐤐𐤅𐤠𐤠𐤌 , from 𐤐𐤅𐤠 . Also, 𐤁𐤕𐤅𐤆𐤌𐤠 *ye shall be afflicted*, Gen. xlv. 5, for 𐤁𐤕𐤅𐤠𐤌𐤠 , from 𐤅𐤆𐤌 . The prefix 𐤠𐤠 is sometimes found written 𐤠𐤃 , though rarely. The first person of this conjugation sometimes ends in 𐤌𐤠 ; as, Deut. xxxiv. 4, 𐤌𐤠𐤅𐤑𐤠𐤍𐤠 *I swear*. The second person plural feminine sometimes also ends in 𐤁𐤌𐤠 instead of 𐤁𐤠 .

13. In the imperative mood, instead of 𐤠 we find 𐤃 , though, as far as I have observed, this is not very frequently the case; as, Gen. xlii. 16, 𐤕𐤅𐤍𐤠𐤠𐤃 .

14. The usual form of the infinitive of this conjugation is that first given in the paradigm: the other forms are to be explained in the same manner as in § 10. The two instances, viz. 𐤁𐤕𐤠𐤅𐤑𐤃 , Gen. v. 2, and 𐤅𐤠𐤑𐤕𐤃 , Gen. xvii. 13, given by Cellarius, are undoubtedly of the fifth conjugation, which has sometimes a passive sense, as we have shewn in § 5.

15. Remarks on the third conjugation:—The difference between this conjugation and the first has been previously pointed out. It is important to observe that the quadri-literal verbs, as 𐤑𐤍𐤕𐤠 *he formed*, 𐤅𐤑𐤕𐤑𐤃 *he consoled*, 𐤁𐤕𐤐𐤕 *he poured forth*, belong to this conjugation, as they do in the Syriac.

Castel marks this conjugation by the insertion of 𐤌 (to express the vowel *Tsere*) between the last two radicals; as, 𐤅𐤌𐤕𐤐𐤕 . It is found in Deut. ix. 12, under the form 𐤕𐤠𐤅𐤑𐤃 *have become corrupted*, with which *mater lectionis* the last syllable of the root may be usually pronounced.

The imperative of this conjugation is formed like the Syro-Chaldaic. The infinitive, like that of *Pehal*, is capable

of receiving the terminations Λ , $\Lambda\aleph$, under the circumstances mentioned in § 10.

The participles of this conjugation, as well as the imperative, are formed like the Syro-Chaldaic.

16. Remarks on the fourth conjugation:—What has been said of the second conjugation will also apply here; the usual forms of the infinitive are $\Lambda\aleph\aleph\aleph\Lambda\Lambda$ and $\Lambda\aleph\aleph\Lambda\Lambda$.

17. Remarks on the fifth conjugation:—It has been previously stated (§ 5) that Aphel has sometimes a passive sense. The prefix Λ is often changed to \aleph ; as, Gen. xxxv. 2, $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ *purify yourselves, and be clean*; so $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ for $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$. The feminine plural imperative of this conjugation may end in $\aleph\aleph$; as, Gen. iv. 23, $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ *hearken*; it is, however, very rarely used.

The usual form of the infinitive is that given in the paradigm: other forms are met; as, Gen. xxix. 7, $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ *to be collected*. Also $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ *to be circumcised*, Gen. xvii. 13.

The participial forms in use are $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ and $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$.

18. Remarks on the sixth conjugation:—This conjugation is thought by Castel to arise from the *absorption* of the second Λ of the Syriac Ettaphal; thus, $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ is read for $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$; $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ for the Syriac $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$, in the formation of which one of the Syriac \aleph 's is omitted.

These remarks will be sufficient for the *perfect* verbs. We now proceed to the consideration of the *imperfect* verbs.

IMPERFECT VERBS.

19. Those verbs which, on account of certain peculiarities in their roots, vary in their inflection from the paradigm previously given of a *perfect* verb, are called *imperfect* verbs. They are divided into three classes; Defective, Quiescent,

and Anomalous verbs; in which order they will be considered.

DEFECTIVE VERBS.

20. Of these verbs there are two classes,—those which lose their *first* radical, and those which lose their *second*.

The verbs of the first class are, as in Hebrew and Chaldee, such as have *Nun* for their first radical; those of the second class, such as have their second and third radicals the same.

DEFECTIVES OF FIRST CLASS.

21. Verbs of this class follow, for the most part, the same rules as in the Hebrew and Syriac. The future of the indicative, the imperative, and infinitive of *Pehal*, also the whole of the conjugation *Aphel*, omit, *generally* speaking, the *נ*. These verbs are, for the most part, regular in the other conjugations, except *Ettaphal*.

(*α*) Examples of the future of *Pehal* are, *נִפְּחָם* for *נִפְּחָנָם*; *נִפְּחָנָא* for *נִפְּחָנָא* *we will go up*; *נִפְּחָנָא* for *נִפְּחָנָא*, etc.

(*β*) Examples of the imperative are, *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*; *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*; *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*, etc. Sometimes *נ* is inserted in the future and imperative between the remaining radicals; as, *פֹּחֵנָא* *he shall go*; *פֹּחֵ* *go out*. On this account *נ* may be made the *mater lectionis* in every case.

(*γ*) Examples of the infinitive are, *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*; *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*; *פֹּחֵ* for *פֹּחֵנָא*, etc.

(*δ*) Examples of *Aphel* are, *פֹּחֵ* and *פֹּחֵ*, Gen. xiv. 18; *פֹּחֵ* *causing to go up*, Lev. xi. 45.

(*ε*) Examples of *Ettaphal* are, *פֹּחֵ* Exod. xix. 11, for *פֹּחֵנָא*; *פֹּחֵ*, Num. x. 17.

Cellarius gives two instances in which *נ* is omitted from the perfect; as, Gen. xiv. 10, *פֹּחֵ*; also, xxiv. 63, *פֹּחֵ* *he went*

out. This is, however, very rarely the case, and such deviations are remarkable rather as anomalies. Many of these verbs are regular; as, לָּאָה *he slew*, לָּאָה *he fell*, etc.

The sense of the different conjugations is, of course, the same as in the perfect verb.

DEFECTIVES OF SECOND CLASS.

22. Verbs of this class are mostly regular; the chief irregularities are observable in the whole of Pehal (the participle excepted), and in the whole of the fifth conjugation, where the third radical is usually omitted.

(a) Examples of the preterite of Pehal; Gen. xxxviii. 11, לָּאָה *he entered*, for לָּאָה , which is found in full, Gen. xiv. 5. So Gen. xxxviii. 9, with לָּאָה interpolated, לָּאָה . The feminine of the third singular is found in full לָּאָה , but without the last radical, לָּאָה , Gen. xlii. 21. Similarly לָּאָה and לָּאָה are read for לָּאָה , etc.

For the future, לָּאָה Gen. xxxii. 11, לָּאָה , לָּאָה , like לָּאָה of Castel.

(β) Examples of the imperative mood are; לָּאָה , Gen. xxx. 3, also read fully לָּאָה . The feminine singular is found in full, Num. xxi. 27, לָּאָה . The plural לָּאָה for לָּאָה is found, Deut. i. 7.

(γ) Examples of the infinitive are, לָּאָה for לָּאָה , or in Pahel for לָּאָה , Exod. xvii. 12. So לָּאָה in Pahel, etc.

(δ) Examples of the fifth conjugation: *perfect*, לָּאָה and לָּאָה for לָּאָה , etc.; *future*, לָּאָה , Gen. xxvii. 10. *Imperative mood*, לָּאָה Exod. vi. 11, or with a *mater lectionis*, לָּאָה . The form לָּאָה , found in Exod. x. 1, seems to be contracted from לָּאָה . *Infinitive mood*, לָּאָה for לָּאָה , Deut. ix. 28.

(ε) The instances given in the preceding paragraphs, in which the forms are uncontracted, seem to belong to the conjugation Pahal; in fact, the only means of distinguishing the first and third conjugation in form appears to be by considering the *apocopated* forms to belong to Pehal, and the *perfect* forms to Pahal; as, 𐤒𐤒𐤕𐤕, Gen. xix. 10; 𐤒𐤒𐤕, etc.

(ζ) The passive of Pehal is not apocopated; as, 𐤐𐤐𐤕𐤕𐤕, etc.; while Ettaphal loses its middle radical; as, 𐤐𐤕𐤕𐤕, etc.

The observations made in this and the preceding section will be found sufficient without a paradigm.

QUIESCENT VERBS.

23. Verbs are called *quiescent* whenever, among the letters constituting the root, any one of the quiescents 𐤒, 𐤕, 𐤓, 𐤔, as they are improperly called, is found.

These verbs may be divided into three classes; first, such as are *quiescent* in the first radical; second, those which are *quiescent* in the second; third, those *quiescent* in the third radical.

The Samaritan mode of inflecting these verbs is very like the Syro-Chaldaic.

QUIESCENTS OF FIRST CLASS.

In Aleph, or Pe-Aleph.

24. The class of verbs, whose first radical is 𐤕, is inflected more like the *perfect* verb than any other class of *quiescents*. The following observations will supply the place of a paradigm. In the first and fifth conjugations, the initial 𐤕 is changed into 𐤓 whenever it is preceded by a

servile formative. For example, in Pehal, from אָמַר comes אָמַרְא *I will say*; so, for אָמַרְא we find אָמַרְא , etc.

The same law is also observable in the passive forms; as, Gen. xvii. 1, $\text{לָהֲקִימָה} walk$; לָהֲקִימָה , also לָהֲקִימָה , etc.

The Aleph is sometimes omitted; as, Deut. vii. 10, $\text{אֶל־הָאָדָמָה} to destroy it$; in Exod. iii. 2, we find the passive לָהֲקִימָה ; but in Gen. vi. 21, the apocopated form לָהֲקִימָה is given, unless it be read לָהֲקִימָה , Aphel used in a passive sense.

Cellarius adduces an instance in which the *quiescent* is changed to א ; as, לָהֲקִימָה , Gen. xi. 31. This is very rare, and I cannot call to mind another instance of it.

In such forms as לָהֲקִימָה , לָהֲקִימָה , etc., the א is manifestly changed to א ; this sometimes takes place in Aphel, as well as in the passive forms. There does not seem to me, however, to be any reason for exclusively confining this *metabole* to those conjugations. The example adduced by Cellarius, viz. לָהֲקִימָה , in the conjugation Aphel, may also be referred to the first or third conjugation.

In Yod, or Pe-Yod.

25. The *quiescents* whose first radical is מ are formed much in the same way as Hebrew verbs of the same kind.

The Yod is usually omitted in the future and imperative of Pehal, but in Aphel is changed to א .

(a) Examples of the future: אָמַרְא for אָמַרְא ; אָמַרְא for אָמַרְא ; though it may be written regularly as אָמַרְא , Gen. xxi. 10, not אָמַרְא .

(β) Examples of the imperative mood are, אָמַרְא for אָמַרְא *sit thou*; so from אָמַרְא we have אָמַרְא , אָמַרְא , etc.

(γ) Examples of the fifth conjugation: אָמַרְא *I will add*, Gen. viii. 21; אָמַרְא for אָמַרְא . The infinitive אָמַרְא ,

Gen. xlv. 5, etc. There are cases, however, in which the *m* is not changed; as, Gen. iv. 7, *ḥḡṃḥ*, instead of *ḥḡṃḥ*. Again, *ḡṃḥ* for *ḡḥḥ*, Exod. xiv. 21.

(δ) The *m* sometimes undergoes the same change for the passive conjugations as in Aphel; thus, *ḡḥḥḥ*; *ḡḥḥḥ* from *a* radix *ḡḥḥ*, etc.

(ε) Those cases in which the *m* is omitted in the perfect tense, as in Gen. ix. 23, where *ḡḡḡ* is found for *ḡḡḡḡ*, are to be marked as anomalies. The same may be said of the presence of Yod where it should be absent; as *ḡḥḥḡ*, Deut. xxxi. 19.

26. Verbs in Aleph and Yod are usually regular, except in the cases mentioned in the preceding sections.

QUIESCENTS OF SECOND CLASS.

In Vau, or Ayin-Vau.

27. The only class of verbs worthy of note under this head are those whose middle radical is Vau. The following paradigm with *ḡḡ* or *ḡḡḡ* will give the student an idea of the peculiarities of verbs of this class:—

I. PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

Person.	Singular.	Plural.
3.	M. <i>ḡḡḡ</i> or <i>ḡḡ</i>	<i>ḡḡḡḡ</i>
	F. <i>ḡḡḡḡ</i> or <i>ḡḡḡ</i>	<i>ḡḡḡḡḡ</i>
2.	M. <i>ḡḡḡḡ</i>	<i>ḡḡḡḡḡḡ</i>
	F. <i>ḡḡḡḡ</i>	<i>ḡḡḡḡḡḡ</i>
1.	<i>ḡḡḡḡ</i>	<i>ḡḡḡḡḡḡ</i>

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	M.	ሠንዮጠ	ኅንሠንዮጠ
	F.	ሠንዮሉ	ኅሠንዮጠ
2.	M.	ሠንዮሉ	ኅንሠንዮሉ
	F.	ኅጠሠንዮሉ	ኅሠንዮሉ
1.		ሠንዮሉ	ሠንዮኅ

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	M.	ሠንዮ	ንሠንዮ
	F.	ጠሠንዮ	ኅኅሠንዮ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ሠንዮ ሠንዮሠ ሠንዮሠ ኅሠንዮሠ

PARTICIPLES.

Present ሠንዮ

Past ሠጠዮ

28. Remarks on the first conjugation:—The *preterite* of this conjugation strongly resembles the Syriac. In the paradigm of Pehal, we have given two forms of the third person singular, one with and the other without the *mater lectionis*. The third person plural may be similarly written; as, ܐܝܬܐ, Gen. xxxvii. 35; in fact, the *mater lectionis* is sometimes absent in the other persons.

The *future* tense is generally read with ܐ; it is, however, found without it; as, Deut. xiii. 8, ܐܝܬܐܢܐ *it shall spare*; ܐܝܬܐܢܐ *they will go*, for ܐܝܬܐܢܐ, Exod. xxxii. 1; ܐܝܬܐ for ܐܝܬܐܢܐ, Deut. xxviii. 52.

The imperative mood is like the Chaldee and Hebrew. When the ultimate or penultimate is a guttural or Resh, the Vau is frequently omitted; as, ܐܝܬܐ *inhabit*, Gen. xxxv. 1, for ܐܝܬܐ; also, ܐܝܬܐ *go*, etc.

In this case the ܐ, though omitted in the imperative, is sometimes found in the future; as, ܐܝܬܐܢܐ, Gen. xxiv. 55; the rule, however, for omission in the future is, generally speaking, the same as that for the imperative.

Of the infinitive mood, we have given various forms; those which are preceded by ܐ belong rather to the third conjugation; thus, ܐܝܬܐܢܐ, Gen. xxxi. 7, is *transitive*, whereas the signification of Pehal is *intransitive*, as will be seen by consulting Gen. xxxviii. 10, where ܐܝܬܐ intransitively is *to be evil*. Compare also ܐܝܬܐ, Gen. xxiv. 3, and xiii. 6.

The *mater lectionis* of the participle of the present is sometimes changed to ܐ; thus, instead of ܐܝܬܐ, we find ܐܝܬܐ, Exod. iii. 5; sometimes ܐ is changed to ܐ, as in the anomalous verb ܐܝܬܐ; sometimes for Aleph, ܐܐ or ܐܐܐ is written; as, ܐܐܐܐ, Num. xiii. 20; ܐܐܐܐ, Gen. xv. 14, etc. Such forms seem to carry considerable emphasis.

PARADIGM OF VERBS IN AYIN-VAU.

INDICATIVE MOOD.						
Perfect Tense.				Fut		
No.	Person.	ETHPEHEL.	PAHEL.	ETHPAHAL.	APHEL.	ETTAPHAL.
						SAME AS
Singular.	3. { M. F.	ሠጠዋለሉ ለሠጠዋለሉ	ሠጠዋ ለሠጠዋ	ሠሠረዋለሉ ለሠሠረዋለሉ	ሠጠዋ ለሠጠዋ	
	2. { M. F.	ለሠጠዋለሉ ለሠጠዋለሉ	ለሠጠዋ ጠለሠጠዋ	ለሠሠረዋለሉ ለሠሠረዋለሉ	ለሠጠዋ ጠለሠጠዋ	
	1.	ጠለሠጠዋለሉ	ለሠጠዋ	ጠለሠሠረዋለሉ	ለሠጠዋ	
Plural.	3. { M. F.	ኔሠጠዋለሉ ጠሠጠዋለሉ	ኔሠጠዋ ጠሠጠዋ	ኔሠሠረዋለሉ ጠሠሠረዋለሉ	ኔሠጠዋ ጠሠጠዋ	
	2. { M. F.	ኔለሠጠዋለሉ ኔለሠጠዋለሉ	ኔኔለሠጠዋ ኔጠለሠጠዋ	ኔኔለሠሠረዋለሉ ኔጠለሠሠረዋለሉ	ኔኔለሠጠዋ ኔጠለሠጠዋ	
	1.	ኔኔሠጠዋለሉ	ኔኔሠጠዋ	ኔኔሠሠረዋለሉ	ኔኔሠጠዋ	
Singular.	3. { M. F.	ሠጠዋለጠ ሠጠዋለሉ	ሠጠዋጠ ሠጠዋለ	ሠሠረዋለጠ ሠሠረዋለሉ	Same	
	2. { M. F.	ሠጠዋለሉ ጠሠጠዋለሉ	ሠጠዋለ ጠሠጠዋለ	ሠሠረዋለሉ ጠሠሠረዋለሉ		

						IMPERATIVE.	INFIN.	PARTIC.
					ure Tense.			Benoni Pehil
E T H P E H E L .								
					as that of Pahal.	<p> արք որարք չարք չնարք </p>	<p> արք արք </p>	
1.	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
3. { M. F. }	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
2. { M. F. }	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
1.	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
2. { M. F. }	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
2. { M. F. }	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	
	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	արք	

PARADIGM OF VERBS IN AYIN-VAU.

29. Remarks on the second conjugation:—This conjugation is like the Syriac in its formation; thus, ܐܡܪܐܐ *was pleased*, Gen. iv. 5; ܥܡܪܐܐ, Exod. xxxii. 30, etc. The student who is acquainted with the paradigm of the Syriac verb in Ayin-Vau will find no difficulty in recognising the tenses, etc., of the conjugation Ethpehel.

30. Remarks on the third conjugation:—This conjugation may be generally known by the characteristic ܡ, as in the Syriac. It is, however, rarely used. Compare the Chaldee Pahel.

31. Remarks on the fourth conjugation:—This conjugation is sometimes read with the characteristic ܡ; as, ܡܡܦܐܐ. The difficulty of distinguishing between it and Ethpehel may have led to the adoption of ܟ instead of ܡ, and the duplication of the last radical; as, ܡܡܟܡܐܐ, Gen. xvi. 2; ܡܡܟܡܐܐ, xxviii. 13.

32. Remarks on the fifth conjugation:—Aphel is generally accompanied by the *mater lectionis* ܡ; as, ܥܡܝܐ; though the ܡ may be omitted before the syllabic suffixes; as, ܐܡܝܐ, Gen. xxi. 29; ܐܡܝܐ, xlv. 4. There are some few instances in which ܐ is put for ܡ; as, ܦܐܝܡ *shall distress*, Deut. xxviii. 53, 55. The characteristic *pre-formant* ܐ is very frequently changed to ܐ, as in the perfect verbs.

33. The sixth conjugation is scarcely distinguishable from the second, except as regards the sense.

QUIESCENTS OF THIRD CLASS.

34. The *quiescent* verbs of this class have ܐ, ܐ, ܡ, ܟ for their third radical. The two latter terminations are rarely found; thus, ܡܐܐܐ, Num. xxiii. 21, which is

usually quoted as *Pehal*, seems to be *Pahel*, from the root 𐎱𐎠𐎺 . The two other instances given by Cellarius, viz. 𐎠𐎺𐎠 , from Gen. xxxvii. 35, and 𐎵𐎠𐎺 , Exod. vii. 20, may be obsolete forms, at least the latter; for the former may be considered as *Pahel*, the first conjugation *Pehal* not being in use.

The usual termination of *quiescents* of this class is 𐎠 . The following is a paradigm of verbs of this kind with 𐎠𐎺𐎠 *he wept*.

I. PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M. 𐎠𐎺𐎠	𐎵𐎺𐎠
	{ F. 𐎠𐎺𐎠	𐎠𐎺𐎠
2.	{ M. 𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠
	{ F. 𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠
1.	𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M. 𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠
	{ F. 𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠
2.	{ M. 𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠
	{ F. 𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠
1.	𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠	𐎵𐎠𐎠𐎺𐎠𐎠

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Person.	Singular.	Plural.
2.	<div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 2em;">{</div> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> M. m^{h} F. m^{h} </div> </div>	h^{h} ($\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{m}^{\text{h}}$)

INFINITIVE MOOD.

 m^{h}

PARTICIPLES.

Present.		Past.	
M.	F.	M.	F.
m^{h}	$\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{m}^{\text{h}}$	m^{h}	$\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{m}^{\text{h}}$

35. Remarks on the first conjugation:—The feminine plural of the third person of the preterite occurs Exod. ii. 16; as, $\text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}} \cdot \text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}} \cdot \text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{h}^{\text{h}}$ *they came and drew, and filled*; it will be observed that the *quiescent* h^{h} is not omitted in $\text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}}$ before m^{h} . This is also the case in $\text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{h}^{\text{h}}$, Gen. xxxii. 30. Compare remarks in § 7.

The quiescent letter may remain unchanged in the future; as, $\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{h}^{\text{h}}$, Gen. xi. 4. The Chaldee corresponds exactly with the Samaritan, if we suppose the terminal h^{h} changed to '.

An instance of the feminine singular imperative is $\text{m}^{\text{h}}\text{h}$, Gen. xxiv. 60. The form given in the paradigm for the feminine plural of the imperative is like the Syriac in ܡܗܝܢ . Castel has $\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}}\text{z}^{\text{h}}$, the Syriac ܡܗܝܢ . The Chaldee termination } may also be added to the root; thus, $\text{h}^{\text{h}}\text{m}^{\text{h}}$. As far as I am aware, I do not think that any example exists, at least in the Pentateuch, to settle the matter definitely.

The infinitive is generally accompanied by the prefix m^{h} ;

as, *ጠኝሠ* to number, Gen. xv. 5; *ጠላላሠ* to see, Exod. iii. 4.

The plural feminine of the participle is found in Gen. xli. 54, *ኃላጠላሠ*. It will be observed that Benoni and Pehil do not differ in form.

36. Remarks on the second conjugation:—The following are examples of the preterite: Gen. xvii. 1, *ጠላላላላ*; *ጠዓላላላ*, Exod. xiv. 21; *ላጠጠላላላ*, Gen. xxxii. 30, etc. An instance of the future will be found in Gen. ix. 14.

37. Remarks on the third conjugation:—This conjugation is usually terminated in the third preterite by *ጠ*; as, *ጠላላ*, Exod. xv. 25; *ጠኃላ*, Gen. xxix. 13.

The other instances given by Cellarius, viz. *ጻፍኋ* and *ጻላጊጠ*, are of the conjugation Pehal.

38. The passive of the third conjugation cannot be distinguished from that of the first, except by the sense; they have the same forms.

39. The fifth conjugation is supported by the following examples:—For the *preterite*—Gen. xix. 24, *ጠየኋ*; *ላላየላላ*, viii. 9; *ጻፍኋላ*, viii. 13; *ጻዓላላ*, xxxi. 20. For the *future*—*ጠዓላላ* I will increase, Gen. xii. 2; *ጠገኋላ*, xv. 1; though in both cases they may be *preterites* for the future. (*See the Syntax.*) For the *imperative mood*—*ጠሠላላ*, Gen. xxiv. 14. For the *infinitive mood*—*ጻላየላሠ*, Gen. xxiv. 19; *ጻላጠሠ*, xxxvii. 22. For the *participle*—*ጠኝሠ*, Gen. vi. 17. In the infinitive and participle, the examples produced are exceedingly pertinent.

40. Cellarius has given the form *ጠጊላላላ*, from Castel, as belonging to the sixth conjugation; it occurs but very seldom. The following paradigm contains the remaining conjugations.

PARADIGM OF QUIESCENTS IN THE THIRD RADICAL.

No.	Person.	ETHPEHEL.	PAHEL.	ETHPAHAL.	INDICATIVE MOOD.	
					Perfect Tense.	Future
Singular.	3. { M. F.	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢ ḤḤ		ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	2. { M. F.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	1.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ
Plural.	3. { M. F.	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢ ḤḤ		ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	2. { M. F.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	1.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ
S A M E A S						Same
Singular.	3. { M. F.	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤ		ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ṢṢṢṢṢṢ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	2. { M. F.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ
	1.	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤ		ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ	ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ ḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤḤ

ANOMALOUS VERBS.

41. This class of verbs must be distinguished from the *Defectives* and *Quiescents*, inasmuch as the latter are *regular*, though varying from the paradigm of a *perfect* verb, while the former apparently follow no regular rule, but, in consequence of peculiar combinations of letters, undergo certain changes which sometimes cannot be accounted for by referring them to any class of verbs previously considered. There are ten of these verbs which, from their frequent occurrence, may be advantageously explained in this place.

I. THE SUBSTANTIVE VERB ᐱᐱᐱ *he was*.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>		<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱ
	{ F.	ᐱᐱᐱ		(ᐱ)ᐱᐱᐱ
2.	{ M.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ
	{ F.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ
1.		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>		<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ or ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ
	{ F.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ or ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ
2.	{ M.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ or ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ
	{ F.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ or ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ
1.		ᐱᐱᐱᐱ or ᐱᐱᐱ		ᐱᐱᐱ

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	<div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle; font-size: 2em;">{</div> <div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> <div>M. 𐤌𐤕𐤕</div> <div>F. 𐤌𐤕𐤕</div> </div> </div>	<div style="display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"> <div>𐤕𐤕𐤕</div> <div>(𐤕𐤌𐤌𐤕𐤕)</div> </div>

INFINITIVE MOOD.

𐤌𐤕𐤕, or 𐤕𐤕𐤕 Gen. xviii. 18.

There are no participles. The third masculine future is sometimes further apocopated; as, 𐤌𐤕, Gen. xxviii. 14. The first person masculine is also read 𐤌𐤕𐤕, Gen. xvii. 8. This verb is, for the most part, regular in the *perfect tense* of the indicative, and in the imperative mood, both of which follow *quiescents* of the third class.

II. THE VERB 𐤕𐤌𐤕 *there is*.

This verb is the same as the Syriac ܐܠܐ and Hebrew ִּי; it is frequently found in the Syriac ^xNew Testament. Examples of the Samaritan are, Exod. xvii. 7, 𐤕𐤌𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕 *Is God among us?* The medial letter 𐤌 is sometimes omitted; as, 𐤕𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕𐤕 *truly God is in this place*, Gen. xxviii. 16.

The *initial* letter is often omitted, especially when *suffixes* are used; as, 𐤕𐤕𐤕 · 𐤕𐤕 *if thou art*, Gen. xxiv. 42; 𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕𐤕, *whether ye are*, Deut. xiii. 3. The negative adverb 𐤕𐤌𐤕 is compound of this verb and 𐤕𐤕. Compare the Syriac ܐܠܐ which is derived from ܐ and ܐܠܐ by crasis and ecthipsis. (See Schaaf's Syriac Lexicon.)

III. THE VERB 𐤀𐤎𐤅 *he lived*.

PEHAL.

This conjugation, which has an *intransitive* sense, is rarely used; as, 𐤎𐤅𐤀 *she shall live*, Gen. xii. 13; xxvii. 40; 𐤎𐤅, Gen. iii. 22, which should be read 𐤎𐤅𐤎, vide Deut. v. 26; 𐤆𐤠𐤅𐤀 *ye shall live*, Exod. i. 22.

PAHEL.

This conjugation, which is *transitive*, is often found; as, 𐤠𐤎𐤅𐤎 𐤆𐤎𐤀𐤎 *they will save thee alive*, Gen. xii. 12; 𐤀𐤎𐤅𐤀 *I will make alive*, Deut. xxxii. 39. It is also found written 𐤀𐤀𐤅; as, 𐤠𐤀𐤅 *keep alive*, Num. xxxi. 18. Compare 𐤀𐤀𐤅𐤠𐤆, Gen. i. 20, which is rather of the fifth conjugation.

APHEL.

This conjugation is formed from a root which may be supposed to arise from the *metathesis* of the initial radicals, viz. 𐤀𐤅𐤎; as, 𐤎𐤅𐤠𐤀 *he lived*, passim; 𐤆𐤠𐤀𐤎𐤅𐤠𐤆 *saved alive*, Num. xxxi. 15; 𐤆𐤎 · 𐤀𐤀𐤅𐤠𐤆𐤆 *to save the people alive*, Gen. i. 20, xlv. 5.

ETTAPHAL.

This conjugation is used *intransitively*; as, 𐤎𐤅𐤠𐤀𐤀, *he lived*, Gen. xxv. 7; 𐤠𐤅𐤀𐤀 *live*, Gen. xlii. 18.

The other conjugations are rarely met with.

IV. THE VERB 𐤀𐤎𐤅 *he descended*.

This verb, which is the same as the Syriac ܐܢܐ and Chaldee ܐܢܐ, is written for 𐤀𐤅𐤆, whence it is formed by changing 𐤅 into 𐤎.

PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

This is, for the most part, *regular*. Sometimes the primitive form is read; as, *ሉሉጃኝ* *she let down*, Gen. xxiv. 16, 45.

Future Tense.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M.	ሉገጠጠ	ኃኝሉገጠጠ
	{ F.	ሉገጠሉ	ኃሉገጠጠ
2.	{ M.	ሉገጠሉ	ኃኝሉገሉ
	{ F.	ኃጠሉገጠሉ	ኃሉገሉ
1.		ሉገጠሉ	ሉገጠኝ

N.B. It must not be inferred that all these forms are in use; some few are given by analogy. *ኃኝሉገሉ* occurs in Gen. xlii. 38, xliv. 29, but, from its transitive sense, may be referred to *Pahel* or *Aphel*.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	{ M.	ሉኝ or ሉገኝ	ጃሉገኝ
	{ F.	ጠሉገኝ	ጃኝሉገኝ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ሉገጠኝ

The participles are formed in the usual manner; as, Deut. ix. 21, Gen. xxviii. 12.

APHEL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

The two persons of this tense mostly used are, the third singular; as, ḤṬḤ Exod. xix. 20; ḤḤḤ Gen. xxiv. 18; and third plural, ṢḤṬ Gen. xlv. 11.

Future Tense.

The third plural, ṢṢḤṬ, Num. i. 51. Second plural, ṢṢḤṬ, Gen. xlv. 29. The other persons are sometimes met with.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>		<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2.	M.	ḤṬḤ	ṢḤṬ
	F.	ṢḤṬ	ṢṢḤṬ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ḤṬṢ Gen. xxxvii. 25.

The *passive* form of this verb also occurs; as, ḤṬṢ, Gen. xxxix. 1; ḤṬṢ, Num. x. 17, etc.

V. THE VERB ḤṬṢ *he gave*.

PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

This is formed *regularly*. The instance ḤṬṢ, from Lev. x. 17, given by Cellarius, must be referred to Pahal. Compare Lev. xix. 20.

Future Tense.

This is regular, like verbs in Pe-Yod. It is, however, sometimes formed from גלג , Hebrew גלג .

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
2. {	M. גלג ; also, גל Gen. xxx. 26; גל Gen. xlii. 37.	גלג
	F. גלג Gen. xxx. 14.	גלגלג

INFINITIVE MOOD.

גלג גלגלג

PARTICIPLES.

<i>Present.</i>	<i>Past.</i>
גלג ; also, גלגלג Gen. xlix. 21.	גלגלג

The latter participle appears to be used in Gen. xxxviii. 14, גלגלג *she was given*. This is probably the case with the instances mentioned under the *perfect tense*. In Lev. xix. 20, our version has “liberty given her,” though it should rather be *he has not given her liberty*; a change of nominative which has been adopted in Lev. x. 17, correctly.

The passive forms also occur; as, גלגלגלג , Lev. x. 14; גלגלגלגלג , Lev. xxvi. 25; גלגלגלג , Lev. xxiv. 20. Also the participle גלגלג , Exod. v. 16, 18.

VI. THE VERB גלג *he died*.

This is the same as the Syriac ܕܡܬ , Chaldee מות .

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

The middle letter of the whole of this tense is **𐤎**; as, **𐤀𐤎𐤗** *he died*; **𐤀𐤀𐤎𐤗** *she died*, Gen. xxiii. 2; **𐤗𐤀𐤎𐤗** *they died*, Exod. iv. 19, etc.

Future Tense.

This is exactly like verbs in Ayin-Vau; as, **𐤀𐤗𐤗𐤀**, **𐤀𐤗𐤗𐤀**, etc.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Singular.

𐤀𐤗𐤗 Deut. xxxii. 50.

Plural.

𐤗𐤀𐤗𐤗

INFINITIVE MOOD.

𐤀𐤗𐤗

𐤀𐤗𐤗𐤗

𐤀𐤎𐤗𐤗

PARTICIPLES.

Present.

M.

F.

𐤀𐤗𐤗

𐤗𐤀𐤀𐤗 Gen. xxx. 1.

Past.

M.

F.

𐤀𐤎𐤗

𐤗𐤀𐤎𐤗

VII. THE VERB **𐤗𐤗** *he went*.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

This follows the form of verbs in Ayin-Vau; as, **𐤗𐤗** *he went*, Gen. xxii. 13.

Future Tense.

In this tense ʔ is omitted, on account of the guttural ʕ. (Vide § 28 of this Chapter.)

The INFINITIVE MOOD is ʕʕʕ; as, ʕʕʕʕʕ to go, Deut. xxix. 18.

VIII. THE VERB ʕʕʕ he went.

PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

In this mood the verb is formed *regularly*.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Singular.

Plural.

ʕʕ or ʕʕʕ

ʕʕʕ or ʕʕʕʕ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ʕʕʕʕ Gen. xi. 31.

The corresponding conjugation Ethpehel is also found; as, ʕʕʕʕʕ walk, Gen. xvii. 1; ʕʕʕʕʕ walking, Gen. iii. 8.

IX. THE VERB ʕʕʕ he came.

Compare the Syriac {ʕʕ}.

PEHAL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

Perfect Tense.

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
3.	{ M. ᐱᐱᐱ also ᐱᐱᐱ Gen. xlv. 1. { F. ᐱᐱᐱᐱ	ᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱᐱ
2.	{ M. ᐱᐱᐱᐱ { F. ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ	ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ
1.	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ and ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ	ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ

Future Tense.

This is formed *regularly* according to verbs in Pe-Aleph, and *quiesscents* of the third class.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

ᐱᐱᐱ Gen. xxxvii. 13, and ᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱ

INFINITIVE MOOD.

ᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ
 Gen. xxxvii. 10. Gen. xlii. 15. Num. x. 21.

PARTICIPLES.

	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
Present.	{ M. ᐱᐱᐱ { F. ᐱᐱᐱᐱ	ᐱᐱᐱᐱ also ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ Gen. xxx. 38. ᐱᐱᐱᐱᐱ Gen. xli. 29.

APHEL.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

The perfect and future tenses are formed as usual; thus, *מֵאֵלָה* *he brought*, Gen. xxxvii. 2; *מֵאֵלֵם* *he shall bring*, etc.

IMPERATIVE MOOD.

Singular.

Plural.

*מֵאֵלָה**מֵאֵלֵם*

PARTICIPLES.

מֵאֵלֵם Exod. x. 4.*מֵאֵלֵם* Deut. viii. 16.

This verb is very frequently used in Pehal.

X. THE VERB *לָמַד* *he was able*.

INDICATIVE MOOD.

The *perfect* tense of this verb is *regularly* inflected.

The *future* follows the law of verbs in Pe-Yod; as, *לָמַדְךָ* *I shall be able*, Deut. xxxi. 2; *לָמַדְךָ*, *thou shalt be able*, Exod. xviii. 23, etc. There are cases, however, in which the Hebrew anomaly is adopted; as, *לָמַדְךָ* *I shall be able*, Num. xxii. 11.

The infinitive, *לָמַדְךָ*, occurs Num. xiii. 31.

CHAPTER IV.

THE PARTICLES.

1. The Particles, which form the third part of speech, are generally understood to comprehend the Pronoun, Adverb, Preposition, Conjunction, and Interjection; or, in other words, all those parts of speech recognized in Greek and Latin, and in the modern European languages, with the exception of the Verb and Noun.

PRONOUN.

2. The Pronoun, as being the most prominent and important of the grammatical divisions included in the term Particle, will be considered in the first place. The Samaritan pronouns may be divided into two classes, as in the other Shemitic languages, viz. *Separables* and *Inseparables*; the latter (except the relative) are sometimes called *Suffixes*, the propriety of which term will appear hereafter.

Under the head of *Separables* are included, Personal Pronouns in the nominative and vocative cases, Demonstratives, sometimes the Relative (which is, however, generally expressed by a *prefix*), and the Interrogative Pronouns.

Under the head of *Inseparables* are classed, Personal Pronouns in the oblique cases or preceded by a preposition, Relative, Reflexive, and Possessive Pronouns.

SEPARABLE PRONOUNS.

PERSONAL.

3. The personal pronouns are, as in other languages, of the first, second, and third persons, in both numbers.

There is only one form for both genders of the first person in each number; in the other persons there is a distinct form for each gender, as the subjoined table will shew:—

TABLE OF PERSONAL PRONOUNS.

<i>Pers.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>		<i>Plural.</i>
1. COM.	אֲנִי, אַתָּה, אַתָּה	<i>I.</i>	אֲנֵנוּ, אַתָּה <i>we.</i>
2.	<div> <div> <div>M. אַתָּה, אַתָּה</div> <div>F. אַתָּה</div> </div> <div> <div><i>thou.</i></div> </div> </div>		<div> <div>אֲנֵנוּ</div> <div>אֲנֵנוּ</div> </div> <div> <div><i>ye.</i></div> </div>
3.	<div> <div> <div>M. הוּא, הוּא</div> <div>F. הִיא, הִיא</div> </div> <div> <div><i>he.</i></div> <div><i>she.</i></div> </div> </div>		<div> <div>הֵנוּ</div> <div>הֵנוּ</div> </div> <div> <div><i>they.</i></div> </div>

There is another form of the first person singular, viz. אֲנִי, which sometimes occurs; this form and that first given in the table correspond exactly to the Chaldee אֲנִי and אֲנִי; while the second and third forms are the Hebrew הוּא and הִיא. The two forms of the second person masculine are the same as הוּא and הִיא.

The second person feminine is found in Gen. xxiv. 23, *without* a line over it; it corresponds to the Hebrew הִיא, which is usually written הִיא.

The first form of the third person masculine is the same as הוּא, while the second is the Syriac ܐܘܬܐ.

With the first form of the third feminine, compare the Chaldee and Hebrew הִיא.

The second form of the first person plural is manifestly the Chaldee אֲנֵנוּ.

With the forms of the second plural, compare the Chaldee אֲנֵנוּ, אֲנֵנוּ.

With the two forms of the third plural, compare הֵנוּ masc. and הֵנוּ fem.; for, by interchanging the quiescents ה and א

INTERROGATIVE PRONOUNS.

6. There are two forms of this pronoun; the first ܐܢܝ, Chald. ܐܢܝ, which is used of persons, and equivalent to our *who?*—the second ܐܝܢܐ, Chald. ܐܝܢܐ, used of things, and like our *what?* Thus, ܡܢ ܐܢܝ ܕܒܝܬܐ *whose daughter are you?* and, ܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ *what is his name?* The neuter form ܐܝܢܐ, as it may be called, sometimes appears to lose its sense when used with prefixes; thus, ܐܝܢܐ *like as*. There is also another interrogative form ܐܝܢܐ, found in Gen. xxxii. 29; as, ܡܢ ܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ *why seek for my name?*

Before proceeding to the Inseparable Pronouns, it must be observed that, to express the words ‘self,’ ‘the same,’ ‘the very one,’ the Samaritans follow the Hebrews in substituting ܐܝܢܐ for its equivalent ܐܝܢܐ, as in Gen. vii. 13, ܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ *in this very day*. Compare the Syriac ܐܝܢܐ which is used in a similar manner; as, Rom. ix. 3, ܐܝܢܐ ܐܝܢܐ *I myself*. So 1 Cor. vi. 7, ܐܝܢܐ ܐܝܢܐ *you yourselves*.

It is probable that ܐܝܢܐ, synonymous with ܐܝܢܐ, as well as ܐܝܢܐ *the soul*, are used as reciprocals, in the sense of the Latin ‘seipsum.’ This inference is justified by the numerous examples found in the New Testament, in which it is so employed by the Syrians.

The Samaritans apparently use ܐܝܢܐ *the heart*, reciprocally; as in Gen. xviii. 12, where we find ܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ ܕܐܝܢܐ *and Sarah laughed within her heart*, i. e. herself.

INSEPARABLE PRONOUNS.

7. These Pronouns, which may also be called *suffixes*, from the peculiarity of their being joined to the end of

words with which they coalesce, include the Personal Pronouns with a preposition, Reflexives, and Possessives.

They are contained in the following table:—

<i>Person.</i>	<i>Singular.</i>	<i>Plural.</i>
1. COM.	א, אנ	אנ, א
2.	{ M. א, אנ F. אנא, אנ, א	אנא, אנאנא, אנאנא אנא, אנ, אנא, אנאנא
3.	{ M. א, א, אנ F. א, אנ	אנא, אנ, אנ אנא, אנ, (אנ)

These inseparables are not joined to nouns, verbs, and particles *indiscriminately*; it will be proper therefore to make a few remarks on their use.

With respect to the *first* person, it must be observed, that the form א of the singular is joined to nouns of both numbers; thus, from א comes אנא *my lord*; from אנא *sons*, we have אנאנא *my sons*, which is contracted into אנא, as in the Hebrew.

There are some instances in which א is joined to verbs; as, אנאנא *he sent me*, Gen. xlv. 5, Exod. iii. 14. This is frequently the case when the letter immediately preceding the *suffix* is essentially radical.

The second form, however, is that usually found with verbs; as, אנאנא *thou hast blessed me*; אנאנאנא *he shall see me*, etc.

Both forms of the *first* person plural are used with nouns and verbs; instances of the first are, אנאנא *our God*; אנאנאנא *our sepulchres*; אנאנאנא *our fathers*. Again, אנאנאנא *he made us go up*, Exod. xxxii. 1; אנאנאנא *thou*

hast led us out, Num. xxi. 5. Instances of the second form are, *ኃሉሕጠጊሉ* *our sister*, Gen. xxiv. 60; *ኃሉጠጋኛ* *he delivered us*, Exod. ii. 19.

8. Upon the suffix *ሕ* of the *second* person, the following remarks may be made.

It is found with nouns of both numbers for the masculine gender; and, for the feminine gender, with nouns plural; as, *ሕኋጊሉ* *your God*; *ሕሉዓዓን ሕዓዓ* *your son and your daughter*; *ሕሉኋዓሉ* *your fathers*; *ሕጠጋጠጋ* *your eyes*, etc. In Gen. xix. 12, *ጠ* is inserted before the terminal *ሕ*; for, in speaking of Lot's daughters, we find *ሕጠሉኋዓ* *your daughters*. This insertion of *ጠ* must not be confounded with the feminine form *ሕጠ*, which is used with singular nouns; as, Gen. iii. 16, *ሕጠዓዓን* *your husband*; *ሕጠጋሉኃ* *your seed*, Gen. xvi. 10.

The form *ሕ* is also found with verbs; as, *ሕሕጃላ* *he loved thee*; *ሕሉሕጠዮሉ* *have I established thee*, Exod. ix. 16; *ሕኋጊሕሉ* *I will send thee*, Gen. xxxii. 26. The terminal *ሕ* with the *epenthetic* *ኃ* is usually found with the future tense; as, *ሕኃጋጋጋሉ* *I will make thee*, Gen. xii. 2; *ሕኃላጋጋሉ* *I will restore thee*, Gen. xxviii. 15, etc.

The *ጠ* of the feminine form *ሕጠ* is usually omitted when joined with a particle; as, *ሕጊ* *to thee*, Gen. xx. 16; *ሕኃሕ* *from thee*, Gen. xxx. 2; *ሕጠጊ* is found in Exod. ii. 7.

The first form *ኃኃሕ* of the *second* person *plural* masculine is found with nouns and verbs; but with the latter it is generally not suffixed immediately, but with the interposition of the characteristic of the accusative case; as, *ኃኃሕኋጊሉ* *your God*; *ኃኃሕሉኋዓሉ* *your fathers*; *ኃኃሕሉጠ ላጋጋጠኛ* *and will lead you*, Gen. xlvi. 21. It is also found with particles; as, *ኃኃሕጊ* *to you*, *ኃኃሕሕ* *with you*, etc., though

in this case the second form נָצַץ is usually employed; as, נָצַצְנִיָּא *from you*, Deut. ii. 4, etc.

The latter form is not only found with the particles, but also with nouns; as, $\text{נָצַצְנִיָּא} \cdot \text{לְבָרְךָ} \cdot \text{נָצַצְנִיָּא} \cdot \text{לְבָרְךָ}$ *in your heart and in your soul*, Deut. xi. 18.

The last form in both genders, viz. נָצַץ , is a verbal suffix, and is formed by means of the *epenthetic* נ , from נָצַץ , like נָצַץ from נָצַץ .

The first two forms of the feminine plural are joined to nouns; as, נְצִיצְנִיָּא *your soul*; sometimes by the insertion of נ , as in the case of the masculine suffixes; thus, נְצִיצְנִיָּא *your father*, Gen. xxxi. 5. The other forms of the feminine are found with verbs.

9. The form נָצַץ of the *third* person *singular* is found with nouns of both numbers, also with verbs; as, נָצַץ *his head*; נָצַץ *her seed*; נָצַץ *he set him*, Gen. xlvii. 7; נָצַץ *I drew him forth*, Exod. ii. 10. In the masculine gender, נָצַץ is sometimes *suffixed* by the interposition of נ ; as, נָצַץ *his father-in-law*, Exod. iii. 1; נָצַץ *he shewed him*, Exod. xv. 25. The נ was probably added to mark distinctly the difference between the word and its suffix. Compare remarks on verbs, § 7.

The second form נָצַץ of the masculine gender, is used with plural nouns, as, נָצַץ *his eyes*; נָצַץ *his sons*, Gen. ix. 1; Chald. נְצִיצְנִיָּא , Syriac ܢܥܨܢܝܐ , etc.

This terminal is found also with singular nouns and particles, in which case נ is inserted before the suffix; as, נָצַץ *his father*, Gen. xlv. 1, xlvii. 11; נָצַץ *his brother*, Exod. xvi. 15; נָצַץ *upon him*, etc.

The suffix נָצַץ of common gender, formed by the *epenthetic* Nun from נָצַץ , is used with verbs; as, נָצַץ *I will*

destroy him, Exod. xxxii. 33; *ሕጠኋልጠ shall hate her*. Deut. xxii. 13. It must be observed that it is mostly employed with the *future* tense, and, comparatively speaking, is very seldom found with the preterite; as, *ሕጠዓሠ he placed him*, Deut. xxxii. 10.

The first two forms of the *plural number masculine* are joined with nouns of the singular number, the second being that which is usually employed; as, *ሕንጥሉ their hand*, Gen. xxxvii. 22; *ሕንጊሉኋልኋ on their left hand*, Exod. xiv. 22. Also with nouns of the plural number; as, *ሕንሉሕዓሉ their fathers*, Exod. xii. 40; *ሕንሕጠኋጠኋህ*, Gen. xii. 5.

The third form, *ሕንኃ*, is masculine, and is only employed with verbs; as, *ሕንኃሕዓሉ I will bless them*, Num. vi. 27; *ሕንኃሉሕንኃሕዓላህ they struck them and bruised them*, Num. xiv. 45. This suffix is not, however, used exclusively, since the simple form *ሕን* occurs; as, *ሕንጊፍህ he slew them*, Gen. xiv. 16; *ሕንሞሞሞ*, Num. xvi. 39. Vide Deut. ix. 17.

The *feminine* forms of this person, viz. *ሕጠሕ* and *ሕጠ*, are used with nouns of both numbers; as, *ሕጠኋሕሕዓላህ their judgment*, Num. xxvii. 5; *ሕጠሕሕዓሉ their father*, Num. xxvii. 7, etc.

The last form, *ሕኃ* of the feminine gender, may be joined to verbs, but very seldom occurs. The student must be careful to distinguish it from the same form, which is used for the first person plural.

These pronouns, it will be observed, serve for the Personal Pronouns in the oblique cases, for the Possessives, and Reciprocals.

10. The relative pronoun is usually expressed by the prefix *ኄ*, which is employed like the Chaldee *ܐܝܝܢ*.

ON THE MODE OF SUFFIXING.

11. In adding the inseparables to nouns of the absolute state, the 𐤀 characteristic of the feminine is changed into 𐤁; as, 𐤀𐤆𐤌𐤁𐤀 *a handmaid*, 𐤓𐤁𐤆𐤌𐤁𐤀 *my handmaid*, Gen. xvi. 2. If the noun be plural, the terminal 𐤁 or 𐤆 of the plural *formative* is omitted, and the suffix added to the remaining part; as, from 𐤁𐤓𐤁𐤆 *sons*, comes 𐤆𐤓𐤁𐤆 *his sons*, etc.

But if the noun be in the emphatic state, the 𐤀 is wholly omitted, and the suffix takes its place; as, 𐤀𐤍𐤁𐤆 *the soul*, 𐤓𐤍𐤁𐤆 *my soul*; 𐤀𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏 *the wife*, 𐤁𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏 *thy wife*; 𐤀𐤏𐤀𐤆𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏 *fathers*, 𐤆𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤀𐤆𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏 *our fathers*.

12. There are three nouns which deserve especial consideration; these are, 𐤆𐤏𐤏 *a father*; 𐤀𐤏𐤏𐤏 *a brother*; 𐤁𐤏𐤏 *a father-in-law*. These nouns are connected with their suffixes by inserting 𐤆, like the Chaldee and Syriac; or 𐤓, like the Hebrew.

The following are examples of this peculiarity:—

Examples of 𐤆𐤏𐤏; as, 𐤀𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤁𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤆𐤆𐤀𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏, etc., with 𐤆; 𐤆𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤆𐤆𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤆𐤆𐤀𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏, with 𐤓.

Examples of 𐤀𐤏𐤏𐤏; as, 𐤁𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤀𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤆𐤆𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏, etc., with 𐤆; and 𐤆𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏, 𐤆𐤆𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏, etc., with 𐤓.

Examples of 𐤁𐤏𐤏 are rare; as, 𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤁𐤏, Exod. xviii. 1; 𐤁𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤁𐤏, Gen. xxxviii. 13. Also with 𐤓 in Gen. xxxviii. 25; as, 𐤀𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤁𐤏 *her father-in-law*.

This is not, however, the case with the suffix of the first person; for in Gen. xx. 12, we find 𐤓𐤆𐤏𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤆𐤏 *daughter of my father*; and in Gen. iv. 9, 𐤀𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤓𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏 𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏𐤏 *am I my brother's keeper?* In both these instances, however, the nouns are in 'regimen,' which may probably account for the deviation from the general rule.

13. The suffixes are usually added to verbs without changing any letter; as, *𐤌𐤁𐤅𐤂𐤁* *he led me*, Gen. xxiv. 27; *𐤁𐤆𐤏𐤁𐤀* *they made thee go up*, Exod. xxxii. 4, etc.

Quiescents of the third radical in *𐤀* or *𐤁* sometimes vary from this rule. These letters may be changed into *𐤀*; as, *𐤁𐤆𐤀𐤁𐤅* *he numbered them*, Num. i. 19; *𐤁𐤀𐤌𐤁𐤁* *he delivered us*, Exod. ii. 19; *𐤁𐤆𐤀𐤁𐤅* *he overlaid them*, Exod. xxxvi. 36. They are also sometimes omitted; as, *𐤌𐤁𐤅𐤁𐤌* *he shall see me*, Exod. xxxiii. 20.

14. The *epenthetic* *𐤁* between the verb and its suffix is so often used by the Samaritans, that, by coalescing with the *suffixes* themselves, an entirely new series would seem to have arisen. See the table, p. 72.

15. The *interposition* of *𐤀* which sometimes occurs may be accounted for by supposing it to be a contraction of the case-mark *𐤀𐤌*; thus, *𐤁𐤀𐤁𐤅𐤏𐤏*, Deut. iii. 3, is the same as *𐤁𐤀𐤌𐤀 · 𐤁𐤅𐤏𐤏*; similarly, *𐤁𐤆𐤀𐤆𐤅𐤁* for *𐤁𐤆𐤀𐤌𐤀 · 𐤆𐤅𐤁* *they saw them*. In fact, the pronominal suffixes, especially *𐤁𐤆𐤅* and *𐤁𐤆*, are frequently found separated from the verb by *𐤀𐤌*; as, *𐤁𐤆𐤅𐤀𐤌 · 𐤁𐤅𐤁𐤌* *he will bless you*, Deut. i. 11; *𐤁𐤆𐤀𐤌 · 𐤁𐤅𐤁* *he blessed them*, Exod. xxxix. 43.

16. There are cases in which the methods employed by the Hebrews in suffixing the particles have also been adopted by the Samaritans; thus, *𐤆𐤌𐤀𐤆𐤁𐤅*, Gen. xix. 16, 30; instead of which *𐤁𐤀𐤀𐤁𐤅*, Gen. xxxvi. 6, and *𐤁𐤀𐤁𐤅* Num. xxxvi. 2, are more usually employed. Such instances of Hebrew usage are perhaps due to the carelessness of the copyists, who from their acquaintance with that language, may have foisted in forms which are undoubtedly opposed to Samaritan usage.

ADVERB.

17. The adverbs, as well as the prepositions and conjunctions, may perhaps be considered as having been originally substantives in the constructive state. Some of them consist of *radical* letters alone; as, **ᐱᐅᐅ** *suddenly*; **ᐱᐅᐅ** *against*; **ᐱᐅᐅ** *before*. Others are formed with *serviles*; as, **ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ** *little*, or *too little*; **ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ** *in order that*, etc. It is scarcely worth while, in a rudimentary work like the present, to discuss the senses of the substantives from which these particles are derived. The syntax of the adverb will be found in the Chapter on that subject.

A list of adverbs is subjoined, slightly differing from that given by Cellarius, which will be found exceedingly useful for reference.

ᐱᐅᐅ where	ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ nay
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ } hitherto (<i>a</i>)	ᐱᐅ behold, lo!
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ }	ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ moreover
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ } so, also	ᐱᐅᐅᐅ then; <i>also</i> ᐱᐅᐅᐅ
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ }	ᐅᐅ when, since
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅ verily	ᐅᐅᐅ already
ᐱᐅᐅ not; <i>prohibitive</i>	ᐱᐅᐅᐅ like as, Lev. xix. 34.
ᐱᐅᐅ if, since, where;	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ like as
Heb. ᐱᐅᐅ	ᐅᐅ so, also
ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ before that	ᐱᐅᐅ not
ᐅᐅᐅ so, just as	ᐅᐅᐅ oh that, perchance
ᐅᐅᐅ why, because	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ } only
ᐱᐅᐅ for ᐅᐅᐅ behold	ᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ }
ᐅᐅᐅᐅ here, hither	ᐱᐅᐅᐅ not, nothing
ᐱᐅᐅᐅᐅᐅ however	ᐅᐅᐅᐅ wherefore (<i>β</i>)

בְּיָנָא in vain, gratis	עַדְכָּא hitherto, moreover
מֵכַּּא since	מֵעַדְכָּא hitherto, more
כֵּן how	בְּעַדְכָּא suddenly
עַלְכָּא above	לְעַדְכָּא little, too little
מֵכַּּא whence (β)	עַד much, exceedingly
כֵּן } now	מֵעַדְכָּא and מֵכַּּא now (γ)
מֵכַּּא } now	עַדְכָּא same as עַד
עַדְכָּא } as far as	כֵּן there
עַד } as far as	

The adverb marked (α) is generally used of the *continuation* of time. The final א is omitted with a suffix; as, עַדְכָּא, Exod. ix. 17.

Those marked (β) are interrogative adverbs. The former is from אֵכָּא and ע; Greek διότι. The latter is a compound of מֵכַּּא and כֵּן, that is *from where*; Latin *unde*; Greek, πόθεν.

The adverb marked (γ) is the Hebrew עַד; it is properly an imperative mood; its plural, עַדְכָּא, is found in Gen. xlv. 4, but the singular form, מֵעַדְכָּא, may be used in a plural sense; as in Exod. xii. 3.

The student is recommended to get this table of adverbs by heart; inasmuch as frequent recurrence to the Lexicon, in the present state of Samaritan lexicography, is not only tedious, but requires more than ordinary skill and perseverance to render it practically useful.

PREPOSITION.

18. The Prepositions may be divided into two classes, like the Pronouns, viz. Separables and Inseparables or Prefixes. As regards the former class, it is sufficient to

observe that they are generally employed as in the other Shemitic languages.

The following Table of them, formed from that of Cellarius, will be read advantageously, inasmuch as it contains those which are mostly in use:

2 ^h at, to	h ^h 2 } at, to
2m ^h at, to, near	hm2 } at, to
2279 on account of	2279 ^h same as 2279
h ^h m between	792 ^h below, beneath
h ^h 29 beside, except	992 ^h without, from (γ)
9 ^h after, behind	h ^h m ^h within
m ^h on account of (a)	h ^h from, before
m ^h behind, after	79 ^h as far as
h ^h m2 for, in the place of	27 upon (δ)
h ^h 9 over against; also	h ^h 7 with, together with
with prefix 2.	29 ^h against, afar; with
m ^h under, below; with	prefix 2, according to, nigh to
prefix h	h ^h 7 } before, in the
h ^h 2 } within	h ^h } presence of;
9 ^h also h ^h 2 } within	also with the prefixes 2, h
2 ^h 2 beyond, afar (β)	

The preposition marked (a) is accompanied by 27, Gen. xx. 3; it is like the Hebrew על.

That marked (β) is read, in some cases, with h prefixed. The preposition (γ) is formed by means of a double prefix. (δ) also is formed in a similar manner to (γ); thus, 272^h is a *pleonasm*, with the same force as 27.

The pronominal suffixes are added to these prepositions in the same way they are added to nouns; thus, m^h7 with me; h^hh from thee; h^h9 after them, etc.

19. Some of these prepositions, as in the Hebrew, insert ׀ between themselves and the suffix; as, ׀ upon him; ׀ upon us; ׀ in thy presence; ׀ before them, etc.

The two prepositions བློ་གྲོལ་ and བློ་གྲོལ་, which latter is used for the Hebrew לְ, are found with and without the བློ་ inserted; as བློ་གྲོལ་ *between thee*; བློ་གྲོལ་གྲོལ་ *between you*; བློ་གྲོལ་ལྟ་ *to you*; བློ་གྲོལ་ལྟ་ *to them*, etc.

Generally speaking, the others adopt the common rule, though there are many exceptions.

20. The preposition 2∇ not only assumes π, but, in addition to it, ζ; as, Gen. xxxviii. 13, xlv. 1, ζπζ2∇; in the latter place, however, the ζ is marked by a small horizontal stroke, signifying that the letter was inadvertently inserted.

For further information respecting the construction of the Prepositions, see the Syntax.

INSEPARABLE PREPOSITIONS.

21. These consist of single letters, and are joined to nouns, to verbs in the infinitive, and to particles, by *prefixing* them: from which circumstance the name sometimes given to them is derived.

These prepositions are א , ב , ל , מ , corresponding exactly to the same *prefixes* in Hebrew. It will be observed that the complete forms בְּ and מִן are generally used with the *suffixes*.

The following examples will shew how these prepositions are connected with the *suffixes*: ንህሩ in *you*; ንሙሉ in *them*; ንሂ to *him*; ንህህ to *us*, etc.; ንህህ from *thee*, Gen.

xxx. 2; 𐤆𐤀𐤃𐤆 *like as thee*, Deut. xviii. 18. For further information, see the Syntax.

CONJUNCTIONS.

22. The following list is from that given by Cellarius:

𐤓𐤀 or, either	𐤆𐤃𐤆	} lest (α)
𐤀𐤃𐤀 but	𐤆𐤃𐤆𐤃	
𐤆𐤃𐤀 unless	𐤃𐤆 same as 𐤀𐤃𐤆	
𐤀𐤓𐤃𐤀 if not, unless	𐤀𐤃𐤆 because, for (β)	
𐤆𐤀 if	𐤆𐤆 because, if, that	
𐤃𐤀 also, moreover	𐤆𐤆 because	
𐤃𐤓𐤆 in order that; also	𐤓𐤆𐤆 because; also with the	
𐤆𐤆 but [with prefix 𐤃	prefix 𐤆	
𐤆𐤆 but, only; lest	𐤆𐤆 same as 𐤆𐤀	
(Gen. iii. 3.)		

The conjunction marked (α) is read with 𐤆𐤆; as, 𐤀𐤆𐤆 *so as not*. That marked (β) is found with 𐤀𐤃 in the sense of *that not*; and with 𐤆𐤀 in the sense of *but that*.

The prefix 𐤆 *and*, is also a conjunction; it is not *conversive*, as in Hebrew.

GENERAL REMARKS ON THE PARTICLES.

23. We must not omit to mention here the *prefix* 𐤆, which is rarely used in the Samaritan with the force of the Greek article, like the corresponding Hebrew *prefix* 𐤱, except in some nouns purely Hebrew; as, 𐤆𐤓𐤀𐤃𐤀𐤆 *the God*; 𐤆𐤆𐤀𐤆 *the man*. It is also employed with the pronouns; as, 𐤀𐤆𐤆 *he*; 𐤀𐤓𐤆𐤆 *she*; 𐤆𐤆𐤆 and 𐤆𐤆𐤆 for 𐤆𐤆 and 𐤆𐤆 respectively; 𐤆𐤓𐤃𐤀𐤆 *these*, 𐤆𐤆𐤆𐤀𐤆 *they*, etc.

The following are instances of its use with the participles;

מלחא־ ם םֿרְחֹמֶנוֹס, Exod. xiv. 19; פֿאַמֿ ם םֿנֶאֱגֶאָנֶוֹנ, Levit. xi. 45; אֶנֶנֿ ם םֿכֹּתִיכֹוֹנ, Deut. i. 44.

24. The use of א־, as explained in the previous article, must be carefully distinguished from that in which it is interrogative; as, אֶנֶנֿ א־מֶאֱלֶא־אֶנֶנֿֿא־ *am I my brother's keeper?* Gen. iv. 9; so in Gen. xlv. 3, אֶמֶנֿפֿ א־מֶאֱלֶא־אֶנֶנֿֿא־ *is my father yet alive?* etc. In Deut. xxxii. 6, א־ is put for אֶ; as, אֶמֶנֿא־ א־אֶנֿ א־מֶלֶא־ *is not he thy father?*

25. The Samaritans do not appear to employ א־ as a *suffix* like ן of the Hebrews, expressive of *motion* or *rest*. For though אֶנֶנֿא־ is sometimes found without the preposition ל, א־ can scarcely be held to supply its place; because instances occur of נֶאֱלֶא־ without א־, as in Gen. xii. 5, where ellipses of the preposition ל are manifest.

ON THE PERMUTATION OF LETTERS.

26. No letters in the Samaritan language undergo such various permutations as those which are usually, though improperly, called gutturals; viz. נ, א, א־, א־. The letter נ is very frequently written for א; as, אֶנֶנֿאֶנֿא־ for אֶאֶנֿאֶנֿא־; אֶאֶנֿ for אֶאֶנֿא־; לֶאֶנֿ for לֶאֶנֿא־, etc.

This letter is also found written for א־; as, אֶנֿ *if*, for אֶא־; אֶמֶנֿאֶנֿא־ for אֶמֶנֿאֶנֿא־. So אֶאֶנֿ for אֶא־ *a mother*; לֶנֿא־ for לֶא־, etc. On the other hand, א־ is found for נ; as, פֿא־ for פֿאֶנֿ, etc. The guttural א־ is found for נ; as, אֶא־ for נֶא־. Also for א־; as, אֶא־א־ for אֶא־א־.

The guttural א־ is found for נ; as, אֶא־ for נֶא־. Also for א־; as, מֶא־א־ for מֶא־א־.

The above are only a few examples of such permutations; numerous others could be produced, but may be safely left

to the student's own observations. Such variations are not easily to be accounted for, except on the principle that "letters of the same organ may be interchanged promiscuously."

27. Other letters are found interchanged, besides the gutturals; as, 9 for 7 in 999, instead of the Hebrew הִשָּׁה *he shewed*; 97 for 77, etc. Also 7 for 9; as, 779 for 997, Gen. xxv. 32.

Similarly, 9 is found for 7, and 9 for 7. Various others are given by Morinus. These are sufficient, however, for our purpose.

28. Besides interchanging letters, the Samaritan, like most other languages, is affected by those changes known as *metathesis* and *aphæresis*. Thus, 779 for 997; 979 for 977. So 97 for 79; 997 for 979, etc. Instances of *aphæresis* are 979 for the complete form 997; 77 for 779; 99 for 997, etc.

29. Before concluding, we shall give a few examples of *crasis*; thus, 979 · 79 *behold I*, becomes, Gen. xxii. 11, 979; similarly, 97979 *behold ye*, Deut. i. 10. This change especially takes place with the particle 79 and verbs; as, 97979, Deut. iii. 26; 9997979, Gen. xxxvii. 22, etc. I confess, however, I have some doubt as to the legitimacy of the *crasis* in the latter case.

S Y N T A X .

CHAPTER V.

ON THE NOUNS.

1. One substantive depending on another is frequently used by the Samaritans instead of an adjective; thus, *ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ* and his mother took for him an ark of bulrushes, Exod. ii. 3; *ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ* and the clothes of service and the garments of holiness, Exod. xxxi. 10; *ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ* sacrifices of righteousness, Deut. xxxiii. 19.

2. A substantive is frequently used, as in the first section, instead of an adjective, to denote the materials of which anything is composed; as, Exod. xxviii. 17, *ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ* rows of stone. In this place we may notice the phrase *ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ ḥ-ṣṭṭ*, Gen. xli. 1, signifying *two years of days*, or *two full years*, as it is rendered in our version; it must be observed that the governing noun is in the absolute state, and not in the constructive, as is generally the case; the nouns *governing* and *governed* must therefore be considered in *apposition*, the former expressing the whole, the latter parts thereof.

3. The cardinal numerals from three to ten inclusive interchange their genders, as in the Hebrew, inasmuch as feminine forms are joined with masculine nouns, and *vice versâ*; thus,

ሠጠኤሥ · ስጠሉላሉ *two years*, Gen. xlv. 6; ጳጥጼ · ጳሠገጠ *one day*, Gen. i. 5, etc., are *concordant*; but ከጠከፍ · ጳሉጊሉ *three sons*, Gen. vi. 10; ጳፍፍሉ · ከጠከፍጊሥ *four kings*, Gen. xiv. 9; ሠጠኤሥ · ሥሥጼ *five years*, Gen. xlv. 11; · ፍፍሥ ከሉገላጋ *seven kine*, Gen. xli. 18; ጳፍሥሉ · ሠጠላጋ *nine bullocks*, Num. xxix. 26; ከከሉሉ · ላጳፍ *ten she-asses*, Gen. xlv. 23, are all *discordant* in gender, and in number also; the singular numeral being added to a plural noun.

It will appear by the subjoined examples that the cardinals are used in the constructive as well as in the absolute state; as, ገጠሥኤ · ጠሉላሉ *two of his wives*, Gen. xxxii. 22; ጳጠላገሉ · ሉከሥሉ *eight of oxen*, Num. vii. 8; ጳጠጊጊሥሥ · ሉላጳፍ *ten of sayings or commandments*, Deut. iv. 13, etc.

4. The cardinal numerals *usually* precede their nouns, as our examples will shew; this is, however, by no means always the case, as they sometimes follow; in which situation ጥጼ *one* is always found.

5. Those numerals which are multiples of ten are joined to singular and plural nouns; ሠጠጊሥገ · ሠጠሉጊሉ *thirty camels*, Gen. xxxii. 15; ጊጳሥ · ሠጠላሥፍ *twenty silver pieces*, Gen. xxxvii. 28; ጳሉሥ · ሠጠሉጊሉ *thirty years*, Num. iv. 3.

6. The *composite* numerals from ten to one hundred are usually so arranged that the less precedes the greater; as, Gen. xxxii. 22, ላጳፍ · ጳጥጼ *eleven*; ላጳፍ · ፍፍሉ *fourteen*, Num. xxix. 20, etc. The *composite* numerals beyond one hundred are free from this restriction, and can either follow or precede; ከሉገሥ · ሉጊሉ · ላጳፍ · ጳከሥሉ *three hundred and eighteen*, Gen. xiv. 14; ሠጠላጳፍገገ · ጳሉሥ *one hundred and twenty*, Deut. xxxiv. 7.

7. The ordinal numerals do not exceed ten in number;

for beyond that number, their place is supplied by the cardinals; as, *ሠጠገዓሉኛ ሉኃሠገ in the fortieth year*, Num. xxxiii. 38.

8. The noun substantive is frequently doubled, so as to convey the idea of a whole, comprehending a series of individuals of the same kind; thus, in Lev. xxiv. 15, *ሕንዱ ኣፈረዱ ረገዞ ሕዱ ሕንዱ whosoever curseth his God*; that is, *every man*, without exception.

This repetition of the substantive frequently implies *multitude*; as, in Gen. xiv. 10, *ሕጥጠፍ ሕጠፍ ሕጠፍ many slime-pits*; or, as it is rendered in our authorised version, “full of slime-pits.”

The repetition in Gen. xxxii. 16, has a *distributive* sense; *ዓፍን ዓፍን ገጠፍፍን ፍሉፍ ፍፃሞን and he delivered them into the hand of his servants, drove by drove*.

This repetition expresses duality and diversity in Deut. xxv. 13, *ሕፃሉ ሕፃሉ two different stones*, or two stones of different weight.

9. It has been previously said that one noun dependent on another is frequently used instead of an adjective; there are cases in which the governing noun has the force of an adjective; as, *ገገሕ ሠጠፍ ኣገገሕን ኣሉሉሉጠጊሉ ዓገፃፍን and as for the flower of his captains he hath drowned it in the Red sea*, Exod. xv. 4, rendered “chosen captains” in our version.

The construction just explained is that always followed by *ጌሕ*, the signification of which, since it is properly a substantive, is ‘the whole’; as, *ገጠፍን ጌሕ more than all his children*, Gen. xxxvii. 3, properly, *the whole of his children*; *ጠፍን ሕጌሕ we all are sons*, Gen. xlii. 11; *ጠፍን ጌሕ all of my goodness*, Exod. xxxiii. 19; *ሕሉፍጠፍን ጌሕ all thy work*, Deut. v. 13. In the two last examples the *con-*

usually put after it; as, $\text{אֲמַרְגָּאִי אֲמַרְגָּאִי שְׁמַרְגָּאִי שְׁמַרְגָּאִי}$ *two great luminaries*, Gen. i. 16. When, however, the adjective is used predicatively, it precedes the substantive; as, גָּדוֹל מְאֹד *great is my punishment*, Gen. iv. 13, $\text{אֲזַל מְאֹד בְּרָאָה}$ *the thing is not good*, Exod. xviii. 17.

14. The Hebrews and Samaritans sometimes use a substantive accompanied by a preposition with the same force as an adjective; thus, Exod. i. 14, $\text{אֲרַבְּעָה עָשָׂר יוֹם}$ *work in the field*, i. e. 'field-work.'

15. The subject of a simple proposition in the plural number is sometimes accompanied by a predicate in the singular, the effect of which is to add a *distributive* force; as, $\text{מְרַחֵם מְרַחֵם וְנִשְׁמָח וְנִשְׁמָח}$ *cursed be each one that curseth thee, and blessed be each one that blesseth thee*, Gen. xxvii. 29; $\text{מִן כָּל עַבְדֵי הַיְיָ}$ *a pastor of sheep* is each of *thy servants*, Gen. xlvii. 3. Similar constructions are observed in the classic authors; as, Catull. c. 107, 'insperanti nobis;' Tibull. lib. 3, in last elegy, 'nobis merenti,' etc.

With מִן , which is supposed to be of the singular number, compare מִן , Zech. xi. 17.

16. The peculiar construction of the noun אֱלֹהִים with a plural verb, among the Hebrews, does not appear to have been adopted by the Samaritans in the corresponding word אֱלֹהִים ; for, in Gen. xx. 13, where the Hebrew plural הָיָה is used, the corresponding Samaritan is מִן אֱלֹהִים *God caused me to wander*; מִן אֱלֹהִים *because there God appeared unto him*, Gen. xxxv. 7.

17. Nouns collective, though in the singular number, are capable of being construed with a plural verb; as, בָּרָא הָאֱלֹהִים *the whole of the earth came*, Gen. xli. 57;

and all the days were, Gen. v. 23, 31, Gen. ix. 29. In both these examples, the agreement of the predicate with the governed noun must be observed; this does not, however, appear to be the case in Exod. xii. 16, 'ሉጊ ጳጥጠጥ ጊዜ ነገዳ ጥጥሉጠ *all work shall not be done in them.*

22. When a predicate is added to subjects of different gender or number, it generally agrees with the more worthy; as, ጳጥጥ ጠጳሉ ጳጠጥጠጠ ጳሉሉሉ *the wife and children shall be her master's*, Exod. xxi. 4; ጳላሣ . ሕጻጻሉ ሕጠሉሉ ሕጠጻጻ *Abraham and Sarah were becoming old*, Gen. xviii. 11. The predicate appears to agree with the nearest subject in Gen. viii. 18, ጠሣኔ ጳሉሉሉ ጠጥጥ ጳኔ ጥጠጥ ጠጥጥ *and Noah went out, and his sons, and his wife, and the wives of his sons.* See Num. xii. 1. This is generally the case when the verb precedes; but when the verb follows, the agreement of the predicate may be inferred from the following examples: ጥጥጥ ጠጥጥ ጳሉ ጳሉ ሕጥጥ ጥጥጥ ጊዳጥ ጳጥጠ ሕጥ ጳሉጥ *and Leah approached also, and her sons, and bowed themselves; and then Joseph approached, and Rachel, and bowed themselves*, Gen. xxxiii. 7; ጥጥጥ ጳሕጥጥ ሕጥጥ ሕጥጥ *and Abimelech rose up, and Memar, and returned*, Gen. xxi. 32.

23. The Samaritans, like the Hebrews, sometimes use a nominative case *absolute*, which may be connected with the rest of the sentence in English, by supplying such a phrase as 'as to,' or 'as regards'; ጳጥ ጊዜ *as to all the gold*, Exod. xxxviii. 24; ጠጳ ጳሉ ሉጥጠ ጳሉጊዳጥ *and as to his concubine, she herself also bare*, Gen. xxii. 24.

24. Here also may be noticed the peculiar *hypallage*, or inversion of words, which is remarkable in the Shemitic languages; as, ጳሉጥ ሕጥጥ *in the blood of purification*,

Levit. xii. 4, instead of 'in the purification of blood;' $\nabla\lambda\text{ג} \cdot \text{א}^{\text{ב}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *the copulation of seed*, Levit. xxii. 4, instead of 'seed of copulation;' $\text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{מ}^{\text{ז}}\text{פ}^{\text{א}}\text{ז} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}$ *silver of shekels*, Lev. v. 15, for 'shekels of silver.'

25. In all languages more or less *pleonasm*s are found to abound. This is especially the case with certain nouns in the Samaritan; as—

(a) With $\text{מ}^{\text{א}}\text{פ}^{\text{א}}$ *face*; $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{מ}^{\text{א}}\text{פ}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *on the face of the waters*, Gen. i. 2; $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{מ}^{\text{א}}\text{פ}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ב}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}$ *from before the face of his dead*, Gen. xxiii. 3, instead of 'from the dead body.'

(β) With $\text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *hand*; $\text{מ}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ב}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}$ *from the hand of every living being*, Gen. ix. 5; $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}$ *by the hand of Moses*, Exod. ix. 35, i. e. 'by Moses.'

(γ) With $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *a word, tenour*; $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *according to the purport of the lot*, Num. xxvi. 56, i. e. 'according to the lot;' $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}$ *according to the tenour of his speech*, Gen. xliii. 7, i. e. 'according to his speech.'

The student will observe others, too numerous to mention here.

ON THE VERB.

1. The Samaritan language, like the Hebrew, has only two absolute tenses, *the perfect* and *future*. To supply the place of the imperfect and pluperfect in other languages, the Samaritan perfect is sometimes used, so that we can only be guided by the *context* as to the force which must be given to it. Vide the remarks on the moods, § 6, Chap. III.

The usual force of the perfect is that conveyed in the following example; $\text{א}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}} \cdot \text{ז}^{\text{א}}\text{ז}^{\text{א}}$

אֵל · אִשָּׂאָה · אֶתְּיַבֵּן *and Isaac called Jacob and blessed him, and charged him, and said to him*, Gen. xxviii. 1.

2. The perfect is also found in the *imperfect* sense of 'was,' 'did;' as, אִשָּׂא · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · לָמָּה *why did Sarah laugh?* Gen. xviii. 13; in the sense of 'used to,' לֵאמֹנִי אֶתְּיַבֵּן אֶתְּיַבֵּן *and Israel loved Joseph*, Gen. xxxvii. 3; in the sense also of 'began to,' אֶתְּיַבֵּן · לֵאמֹנִי · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · לָמָּה *and the people began to murmur against Moses*, Exod. xv. 24.

3. The perfect is also found in a pluperfect sense in Gen. ii. 5; thus, אֵל · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · לֵאמֹנִי · לֵאמֹנִי *for the Lord God had not caused it to rain*. Another and more usual method of expressing the pluperfect will be found in the Syntax of the Infinitive.

4. Some verbs include, under the perfect form, both a *perfect* and *present* sense; such as, אֶתְּיַבֵּן *he hates and he hated*, conveying both the senses of 'odit' and 'odio habuit.' Also, יָדָע *he knows and he knew*. Compare the Greek οἶδε and the Latin 'novit,' *perfect* forms with *present* senses.

5. We sometimes find a future circumstance related in the perfect tense, as something which has actually taken place. The design of the writer in this case was to mark the future occurrence as something already *irrevocably* decreed and decided upon, and therefore, as it were, accomplished; thus, in Gen. xv. 18, אֶתְּיַבֵּן · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · אֶתְּיַבֵּן · אֶתְּיַבֵּן *to thy sons have I given the land*.

6. The peculiar use of ו, called *Vau conversive* among the Hebrews, is unknown to the Samaritans, Chaldees, and Syrians; so that the numerous rules founded on this idiom in Hebrew are not applicable to those dialects.

7. The future tense, besides the force of our future, has

render this clear; 𐤅𐤓𐤌𐤍 · 𐤀𐤌𐤍 · 𐤅𐤀𐤎𐤊𐤍𐤊𐤍 · 𐤂𐤍𐤊𐤍𐤕 · 𐤅𐤊𐤍
as a foster-mother beareth the suckling, Num. xi. 12;
𐤅𐤓𐤍 · 𐤀𐤌𐤍 · 𐤓𐤓𐤌 · 𐤂𐤍𐤊𐤍𐤕 · 𐤅𐤊𐤍 as a man doth bear his son,
Deut. i. 31.

12. The moods known to us as the Indicative and Subjunctive do not differ among the Samaritans as regards their inflection; they can only be distinguished, therefore, by the *context*. The two absolute tenses, generally speaking, answer to our Indicative tenses of the same name in *direct* narration; but in *indirect* narration, and in conditional clauses, depending upon something previously mentioned, they answer to the Subjunctive.

13. The Subjunctive is chiefly designated by the use of certain conditional particles; such as, ሕዳ, ሕፃ, ኃዳ *if*; ንጊዳ, ለጠጊዳ *unless*; ጓጊፕ, ጓጊፕጊ *lest*; ጊጠፕፃጊ *that*, etc. Thus, ጓጎጠላጠላ · ሉጊ · ሕዳ *if I should bring him not*, Gen. xliii. 9; ሉጎጎጓ · ሉጊጓ *if thou shouldest lift up*, etc., Exod. xx. 25; ጸዋሕ · ኃጓ *if I should find*, Gen. xviii. 26. The particle is also omitted; as, ጓፕጸ · ጓሕጎጠ · ኃጎጎጎጎፕሉጎ *and should I overdrive them one day*, Gen. xxxiii. 13.

14. The condition also on which the subjunctive clause depends is sometimes omitted, and must be supplied from the context; as, *ሕሉሉኑ ሕገ ጳህገ ጥጃኑ ሕሕጥ ገገገላይ* *within a little there had been one of the people with thy wife*, Gen. xxvi. 10.

15. The copulative particle ṽ joining one verb with another, is used like the Latin ‘ut,’ expressing a purpose or a consequence; thus, ṽḡḁḃ · ḥḅḇḂ^m·ḱḏ · ḙḒ · ḰḙḗḆ · ḱḔḓ
and hast not told me, that I might send thee away with mirth,
Gen. xxxi. 27; ḡḢḖḙḕ · ḣḚḱ · ሄጋḱ · ḱḔ God is not a man, that he should lie, Num. xxiii. 19.

16. The Subjunctive mood may also be used when a relative pronoun is accompanied by a verb expressing something indefinite, or depending on a condition not expressed; thus, $\text{אֲלֵךְ} \cdot \text{אֶתְּ} \cdot \text{אֲכָל} \cdot \text{לֶחֶם} \cdot \text{בָּרֶךְ}$, *and thou shalt eat of the flesh which he may give thee*, Deut. xii. 15.

17. To express the Optative mood, the Samaritans adopt the following methods:—They make use of the particle אֲלֵךְ , the Hebrew אִלּוּ *would that*, joined to either the perfect or future tense; $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{בְּאֶרֶץ} \cdot \text{מִצְרָיִם} \cdot \text{אֲלֵךְ}$ *would that we had died in the land of Egypt!* Num. xiv. 2; $\cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲלֵךְ}$ *would it may be according to thy words!* Gen. xxx. 34.

18. The Optative mood is also expressed by the formula $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$, the Hebrew אִלּוּ אֲמָרְנוּ ; as, $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$ *would God we had died*, Exod. xvi. 3, Hebrew אִלּוּ מוֹתָנוּ . It will be observed that אֲמָרְנוּ is passive in form, but active in signification.

19. The Imperative mood is sometimes used in an Optative sense; thus, $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$ *mayest thou be a mother to thousands of millions*, Gen. xxiv. 60.

20. The Imperative mood, when enjoining the performance of something, is often joined with another imperative expressive of the result or consequence of the action enjoined; as, $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$ *purify yourselves, and be clean*, Gen. xxxv. 2.

21. The Infinitive mood, though usually restricted to no time, is, however, capable of being referred to some definite time on combination with particles; as, $\cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$ *on my going out, I will spread forth my hands*, Ex. ix. 29; $\text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ} \cdot \text{אֲמָרְנוּ}$ *for the purpose of delivering him into thy hand*, Deut. ii. 30.

22. The Infinitive mood is placed *absolutely* without the

intervention of particles; as, in Gen. v. 2, **ከዚህ ዓመት ጀምሮ**
in the day they were created. This instance and that given
by Cellarius, from the first verse of the same chapter, scarcely
belong to the rule; for **አዳ** in both cases may be the pre-
terite third person singular, accompanied by the suffix **ከ**.

23. The Infinitive mood is, perhaps, used for the Imperative in some cases. The identity of form, however, which exists between the infinitive and the second person masculine singular of the imperative, in consequence of the absence of vowel points in the Samaritan, exceedingly diminishes the number of such irregularities.

24. The participles being verbal adjectives, and having no means of distinguishing by inflexion between any of the tenses except the present and past, may also refer to future time, and serve as gerundives, etc.

(a) They frequently have a present sense, like those in *ens* in Latin, and in fact are generally used to express the present definite as well as the imperfect, with or without the substantive verb እဒါ; thus, ၵၵၵ *doing*; and also, ၵၵၵ ၵၵၵ *I am doing*; ၵၵၵ ၵၵၵ *he was doing*, etc. Vide next section.

(β) The participle seems to have a future sense in Gen. xix. 14; *ἡμεῖς καὶ οἱ υἱοὶ τῆς θυγατρὸς τοῦ ἀνδρὸς τούτου* and *he spake to his sons-in-law* who were *about to marry his daughters*, i. e. his future sons-in-law.

(γ) The participle is used as a gerundive in Lev. xi. 47;
 ጌዳላሉሉኑጌጥ ጳሎጦጻጻ 'ከጠፃጥ ጳጌዳሉሉጌጥ ጳሎጦጻጻ 'ከጠፃጥ
and between the animal that ought to be eaten, and between
the animal that shall not be eaten.

25. The *periphrastic* use of the participles and verb substantive for the finite verb is very frequent; thus, for the

ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *thou shalt not have other gods*, Exod. xx. 3; ከሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *let there be lights*, Gen. i. 14; ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *cursed be each one that curseth thee, and blessed be each one that blesseth thee*, Gen. xxvii. 29. The use of the singular participle gives a distributive sense, as in the Hebrew.

(γ) Nouns used only in the plural may have a singular verb agreeing with them; as, ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *there shall be no more water*, Gen. ix. 15; ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *because the water of separation was not sprinkled on him*, Num. xix. 13, 20.

(δ) In the following instance, gender and number are both neglected; as, ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *the congregation, the whole of them, are sanctified*, Num. xvi. 3.

29. The nominative of a verb is frequently omitted when it can easily be supplied from the context. There is also a frequent ellipsis of the words ሕወዓላን *a thing*, and ሕወዓላን *a man*.

30. Verbs in the third person singular, both intransitives and passives, are susceptible of a *neuter* use; especially such as contain implicitly in their signification the nominative to which they refer; as, ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *let not there be anger in the eyes of my lord*, Gen. xxxi. 35; ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *let it not be grievous in thy sight*, Gen. xxi. 12. So for the passive; as, ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን ሕወዓላን *then it was begun to be called on*, Gen. iv. 26. I have altered the text given by Walton in the first and last of these examples; in the latter, I have read Aphel in a passive sense, instead of ሕወዓላን; or we may render with Walton's text, *then one began to invoke*, etc.; to this, however, the passive infinitive is an objection, unless it be employed in an active sense; Chap. III. § 5. Compare the Latin idiom so often used by Tacitus.

31. When a circumstance is related without reference to the agent, the third person singular is employed in an *indefinite* sense; as, $\nabla\text{Z}\nabla\text{A} \cdot \nabla\text{P}\text{W}\text{A} \cdot \text{A}2$ one *hath not found a help*, Gen. ii. 20; $\text{A}\text{M}\text{W} \cdot \text{A}2\text{W}\text{M} \cdot \text{N}\text{A}2$ and if one in *dying should die*, Num. vi. 7; $\text{A}2\text{N}\text{A} \cdot 2\text{A}\text{M} \cdot \text{A}2\text{A}$ when one in *falling shall fall*, Deut. xxii. 8. Compare the English ‘one’ and French ‘on’. A similar construction is adopted in the Coptic to express the passive voice.

32. There are numerous cases in which the second person is used instead of the third; as, Lev. ii. 4, $\text{N}\text{P}\text{A}\text{P} \cdot \text{P}\text{A}\text{P}\text{A} \cdot \text{W}\text{A}2$ and when you shall offer an offering, i. e. when any one shall offer; $\text{A}\text{V}\text{M}2 \cdot \text{W}2\text{V}\text{M}\text{W}\text{A}$ as you go to Zoar, Gen. xiii. 10, i. e. as one goes to Zoar; see Exod. xx. passim. Compare Horace, Carm. ii. 3, “ Nil interest, an pauper et infimâ de gente sub divo moreris.” Also, ii. 18, “ Tu secunda marmora locas, etc.” Such instances are profusely found in all languages.

33. The idiomatic usage of the verbs הוֹסִיף and שׁוּב among the Hebrews is also followed by the Samaritans in the verbs $\text{A}\text{A}2\text{A}$ and $\text{A}\text{A}\nabla$; as, $\text{A}\text{A}\text{A}\text{A} \cdot \text{P}\text{A}2 \cdot \text{W}\text{A}\text{A}\text{P}\text{A} \cdot \text{A}\text{A}2\text{A}2$ and Abraham added and took a wife, i. e. again took a wife, Gen. xxv. 1; $\text{A}\text{M}\text{W} \cdot \text{A}2\text{A}\text{A}\text{P} \cdot \text{A}\text{M} \cdot \text{A}\text{A}\text{A}2 \cdot \text{P}\text{A}\text{A}\text{M}\text{M} \cdot \text{A}\text{A}\nabla$ Isaac went and digged the wells of water, i. e. digged again, Gen. xxvi. 18. Numerous other instances may be easily found.

34. There is another peculiar use of the finite verb with an infinitive, in which the former may be rendered adverbially; as, $\text{A}\text{P}\text{W}\text{W} \cdot \text{A}2\text{A}\text{M} \cdot \text{W}\text{A}2\text{W} \cdot \text{A}\text{A}2\text{A}2$ and the angel of the Lord went further, Num. xxii. 26; $\text{A}\text{A}\text{V}\text{P}\text{W}\text{W}2 \cdot \text{A}\text{A}\text{A}\text{A} \cdot \text{N} \cdot \text{A}\text{W}$ what is this thou hast quickly found? Gen. xxvii. 20.

35. The substantive verb, being the copula of a proposition, generally agrees with the *subject* of that proposition,

though it is found agreeing also with the *predicate*; as, in Gen. xxxi. 8, *ሕገሉ ጠፋ ሕጠላንህ the speckled shall be thy wages.*

36. The substantive verb used as a copula is usually expressed in the perfect and future, but omitted in the present and imperfect; as we have previously observed. See § 24.

37. The accusative case, expressing an object, is used with verbs passive and intransitive, with the omission of a preposition signifying *as to*, in which case it resembles the Greek construction with the ellipsis of *κατὰ*, and the Latin with the ellipsis of *secundum*; thus, ሉጠ ንጠፋጊጠ ሉጠጊጥ ጸሐጊጥ ላፋ he who shall not be circumcised as to the flesh of his foreskin, Gen. xvii. 14. Perhaps we ought to consider ንጠፋጊጠ as *Pahel*, and render, *he who shall not circumcise the flesh, etc.* ንጊ ሉሕሕላሉ ሉጊ ጳጳጠ ጠሕሕጊ but as to my name Jehovah, was I not known to them, Exod. vi. 3; ንጻሕጊጠሕ ሕጠሕጊ ጥፃጊጠ ጊሕሕጊ ንጻሕጊጠሕ ሕጠሕጊ ንጊ ጻጸጊጠ ሕጠሕጊ and be purified as to all the raiment, and as to every instrument of skin, etc., Num. xxxi. 20.

38. Sometimes a transitive verb has two accusatives, one of which may be preceded in English by the phrase 'as to'; thus, in Deut. xxii. 26, ሕጊ ጸፍጥጊ and hath slain him as to his life. There are various other forms of accusatives, easily explicable by supposing an ellipsis of a preposition; thus, ጳጳሕሕ ጻላሉ ሕጥጥጊ and stood at the door of the tabernacle, Exod. xxxiii. 9, where there is an ellipsis of the preposition ጥጠጊ before ጻላሉ.

39. It must be observed, that verbs of *naming* take an accusative case of the name, and a dative formed by the preposition ጊ, of the thing to which the name is given;

46. When the inseparable particles α , β , γ , δ , are prefixed to the infinitive, the resulting combination answers to the Latin gerund, or the Greek construction of the article with the infinitive. Instances are subjoined of these prepositions with this force.

(β) With 𐤆; as, 𐤆𐤌𐤍𐤏 · 𐤇𐤃𐤍𐤏 at the going down of the sun, Deut. xvi. 6; 𐤆𐤌𐤍 · 𐤃𐤍𐤏 on the hearing of Esau, Gen. xxvii. 34.

(δ) The *periphrastic* use of the substantive verb, with the infinitive accompanied by 2 for the future, is worthy of notice; as, ἄλλοι μὲν 2·ῥησάντων that they may be about to execute, Num. viii. 11. Also, in Gen. xv. 12, ἡ 2·ἡλίου·ἵνα 2272 and the sun was about to set.

(ε) With 𐎢; as, 𐎢𐎠𐎡𐎢𐎣 from *slaughtering*, Gen. xiv. 17; 𐎠𐎡𐎢𐎣 · 𐎡𐎢𐎣𐎠 · 𐎠𐎡 *fear not to go*, Gen. xlv. 3,

49. Participles may follow the construction of the finite verb, so as to govern the following noun *immediately*, or by the interposition of a preposition; as, ሥጢረ ዓለምን የተሸነፈ ግዛት ነው and it was encompassing the whole land, Gen. ii. 11; ተሳታፊዎችን የያዘ ጠላት bearing seed, Gen. i. 29; እናንተን የክብር ያስገባል dividing light and darkness.

51. Many participles of intransitive verbs, as well as passive ones, turn the noun, with which they ought to be connected by a preposition, into the genitive case; as, *ḥā-šar-mā · mī-pāzān* having gone out of the ark, Gen. ix. 10; *pāṣ · ā-mē-šūm* as captives of the sword, Gen. xxxi. 26; *ḥā-ʿap · ḥā-ʾal · mē-zēzēn · zēzē* to all entering the gate of his city, Gen. xxiii. 10; though, in all these cases, and numerous others, the governing participles may be considered as nouns substantive, an assumption which is supported by their peculiar forms. Compare the forms *pāzān* and *zēzēn* with the substantives *ʿāzām* a judge, *zēzēp* a homicide, etc.

THE PARTICLES.

PRONOUN.

1. The personal pronouns of the second and third persons, especially the *suffixes*, are found in the plural masculine referring to nouns in the feminine gender; as, *እንኳላቸው* *their flocks*; *እንኳላቸው* *drove them away*, Exod. ii. 17; *እንኳላቸው* *to them*, Exod. i. 21, referring to the midwives.

2. A pronominal *suffix* singular is sometimes referred, in a collective sense, to a plural noun, comprehending a body of individuals; as, *የእኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *against thy enemies, and the Lord has delivered him, etc.*

3. A personal pronoun, when added to the noun to which it refers, is not redundant, but emphatic; as, *እኛው*, Gen. iii. 12; *የእኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *and of the tree of the knowledge of good, etc., thou shalt not eat of it*, Gen. ii. 17.

4. An inseparable pronoun is sometimes added to a separable one of the same person, to mark with force and emphasis the person to whom it refers; as, Num. xiv. 32, *እኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *and your dead bodies, you, I say, etc.*

5. The personal pronoun is used to denote an ellipsis of the verb substantive, especially in the present and imperfect tenses; as, *እኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *all of us, the sons of one man are we*, Gen. xlii. 11; *እኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *I am he*, Deut. xxxii. 39. See Castel's Gram. Harmon.

6. The demonstrative pronoun, when repeated, has a distributive sense; as, *እኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *and they came not near one to the other*, Exod. xiv. 20; *እኛውን አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ ለእኛው አድራሻ* *and they said one to the other.*

7. The demonstrative ንኝ is sometimes coupled with the interrogative ጻህፊ, in which case the former is apparently redundant; as, ጻላሠ ለሻህሉ ንኝ ጻህፊ *wherefore hath Sarah laughed?* Gen. xviii. 13; ጠንላሻፊ ንኝ ጻህፊ *why hast thou sent me?* Exod. v. 22.

8. The relative pronoun very frequently includes the noun or antecedent pronoun to which it refers; as, ረረህሉኝ *that which thou shalt say*, Exod. iv. 12; ኖፃፍኝ *that which he did*, etc.

9. The relative pronoun is not put in the genitive case; but if this case be required by the construction, it is expressed by a subsequent pronominal *suffix*; as, ሃሕሉ ለፈኝ ጠንገ ጻህፊ *the nation which thou shalt not understand as to the language thereof*, Deut. xxviii. 49. It can, of course, stand in the accusative; as, ጠፈ ለሻኃሉኝ ጻሉሉ *the woman which thou hast brought me*, Gen. iii. 12; ንኛሎ ሃፃፍኝ ጻህኃ *which the man shall do (them)*, Lev. xviii. 5, where ንኛሎ is redundant.

10. The relative, when it includes the antecedent noun or pronoun, may take a preposition; as, ፈረኝ ጻህፍ ለሎ ፍገ ሕፈ ለረረህኝ *lead the people to the place which I spake to thee of*, Exod. xxxii. 34; ንኛፍህሉኝ ፍሕ ንፃሉ ንፃኂ *get straw from the place which ye can find*, Exod. v. 11; ንኛፃሉፈ ፍሕ *of that which was our father's*, Gen. xxxi. 1; ንፃሉፈ ፍሕ *of that which is Aaron's*, etc.

11. When the relative pronoun is preceded by the noun with a preposition to which it refers, this preposition is omitted before the relative; as, ንኛሉፈፍ ጻፍሉፈ ንኛፈረ *we came to the land to which thou sentest us*, Num. xiii. 27; ጻኛሎ ሕፃፍኝ ጠሉሕሕፍ ፈሕ *from all the nations whence the Lord has scattered thee*, Deut. xxx. 3.

12. The adverb **בשם** *there*, with the relative preceding it, has the force of a relative adverb; as, **אשר בשם** *where there is gold*, Gen. ii. 11; **שם אלהים** *where God was*; **בשם** *where ye are*, Exod. xii. 13; **בשם** *where he is*, Gen. xxi. 17; **בשם** *whence he was taken*, Gen. iii. 23. Vide also, Gen. x. 14, etc.

13. The relative pronoun is frequently omitted; as, **אשר נצב** *like as the tents* which the Lord hath fixed, Num. xxiv. 6; **אשר** *on the day* in which the Lord spake, Deut. iv. 15; **אשר** *and how shall I afflict* whom the Lord hath not afflicted (*him*), Num. xxiii. 8.

14. The relative **הוא** usually refers to *persons*; it is, however, sometimes used of things which involve the idea of a person; as, **הוא** *what to thee is* all this drove? Gen. xxxiii. 8. This interrogative is sometimes found in *oblique*, as well as in *direct* narration; as, **הוא** *who slew him*, Deut. xxi. 1.

15. It is also used in an *indefinite* sense, and answers to our *whoever, whatever*; as, **הוא** *whoever* is having business, Exod. xxiv. 14. Similarly with the Hebrew **מי** in **מי יחַר יְהוָה**, Judg. vii. 3.

Also with the addition of the prefix **אֶל**; as, **אֶל־הוא** *whoever hath sinned against me*, Exod. xxxii. 33. Compare also the corresponding Hebrew **מִי אֲשֶׁר חָמַא־לִי**, and Syriac **ܡܝܢ ܕܝܚܝܐ ܕܝܚܝܐ**.

ADVERBS.

1. Adverbs are, for the most part, construed with verbs. They are sometimes placed *absolutely*, at other times governed by a preposition; as, **אני** *myself alone*, Num. xi. 14;

but, *ἄρ᾽ ἑαυτοῦ besides himself alone*, Deut. iv. 35; *ἄνω very*, Gen. iv. 5; *ἄνω·ἄνω exceedingly*, Gen. xvii. 2; *ἔκεῖ there*, Gen. ii. 12; *ἔκεῖθεν thence*, Gen. xi. 8.

2. Nouns are also used adverbially, either *absolutely* or when governed by a preposition; as, *ἄρ᾽ ἄρ᾽ to-day*, Gen. iv. 14; *ἄρ᾽ ἄρ᾽ this day*, Gen. xxv. 31; *ἡμέρας·ὡς day and night*, Lev. viii. 35; *ἄρ᾽ ἄρ᾽ first*, Gen. xxxviii. 28; *ἄρ᾽ ἄρ᾽*, Num. x. 13.

3. Certain adverbs are also joined to nouns, or separable pronouns, in the same way as to verbs; as, *ἄνω·ἄρ᾽ very good*, Gen. i. 31; *ἄρ᾽·ἄρ᾽·ἡμέρας·ἄρ᾽ how dreadful is this place!* Gen. xxviii. 17; *ὡς·ἄρ᾽ how good!* Num. xxiv. 5; in the two latter cases *ἄρ᾽* is properly the relative. See Syntax of the Verb, § 27.

4. The particle *καὶ* is sometimes joined to nouns substantive and adjective, as will appear from the following examples: *ὡς·καὶ and not wise*, Deut. xxxii. 6; *·καὶ ἄρ᾽ ἄρ᾽·ἡμέρας at no period of her separation*, Lev. xv. 25, Hebrew *עַתָּה לֹא בְּיָמֶיהָ*; *καὶ καὶ, by no God*, Deut. xxxii. 21. Similarly *ὡς·καὶ*. Compare the Greek construction, *ἡ οὐ περιτελείσῃς, ἡ οὐκ ἀπόδοσῃς*, in Thucydides and Lucian.

5. The particle *οὐ* is similarly used to the Latin 'nihil', 'parum', etc.; thus, *οὐ καὶ καὶ nihil ad servandum*, Deut. xxii. 27; *ὡς·οὐ καὶ ὡς·οὐ parum panis et parum aquæ*, Num. xxi. 5; Gen. xlvii. 13, etc.

(α) It is also found like *ne* in 'nemo', and 'nie' in the German 'nie-mand'; as, *οὐ καὶ καὶ no man*; *ὡς·οὐ καὶ nothing*, or it might be rendered, in conformity with the preceding, *nihil rei*, Gen. xxxi. 50, Exod. v. 11.

(β) It is used to deny a quality predicated by an adjective, and has a *suffix* referring to the subject of the predicate:

as, *ḫḫmḫḫ ḫḫmḫḫ* *which (it) is not clean*, Gen. vii. 8; *ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫmḫ ḫḫḫḫ* *but the hoof (it) is not dividing*, Lev. xi. 4; *ḫmḫḫ ḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫmḫ* *he that hearkeneth not unto the voice of his father*, Deut. xxi. 18; *ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫmḫ ḫmḫḫ* *the bush (it) was not burning*, Exod. iii. 2.

6. The particle *ḫḫḫ* or *ḫḫḫ* is used, like *ḫḫ*, with a substantive; as, Deut. iv. 42, *ḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ* *with no knowledge*; but in Deut. xix. 4, without a mark, i. e. not knowingly.

7. Some adverbs, besides a preposition, take also a pronominal suffix; as, *mḫḫḫ ḫḫḫ* *I myself alone*; where *mḫḫḫ* is for *mḫḫḫḫ*, Syriac *ܡܚܝܬܐ*, from *ḫḫ* and *mḫḫ* *one, alone*; *ḫḫḫḫ* *it alone*, Num. xxiii. 9; *mḫḫḫ ḫḫḫ ḫḫ* *I myself am not able alone*, Deut. i. 9. Also without prepositions, *ḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫmḫ* *if thou thyself art not sending*, Exod. viii. 21.

8. Two particles of negation are sometimes joined, as in Greek, to strengthen the negation; thus, *ḫḫmḫ ḫḫḫḫḫ ḫḫmḫḫḫ* *truly were there no, no sepulchres?* Exod. xiv. 11; Hebrew *לֹא־אֵין*.

9. A negative particle is also construed with the word *ḫḫ* *all*, so that the negation is not merely confined to this word, but extends also to the verb; as, *ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫ ḫḫmḫ* *lest finding him every one might be killing him*, Gen. iv. 15. The negation is, however, sometimes *special*; as, Num. xxiii. 13, *mḫḫḫḫ ḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ* *but all of it thou shalt not see*, i. e. you shall see a part.

10. The repetition of the adverb, besides giving the usual intensive force, sometimes denotes a *progressive* action; as, *ḫḫḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫḫ* *I will expel him little by little*, Exod. xxiii. 30; *ḫḫḫ ḫḫḫ ḫḫḫḫ ḫḫḫ* *he shall mount above thee higher and higher*, Deut. xxviii. 43.

11. Comparative particles are sometimes redundant; as,

ኃሠጸሙ · ጠጋ · ሃይሉሠኝ *sware to me to-day*, Gen. xxv. 33, where ኃ is redundant; ሠጠኝኃሠሠ · ጻሠህ · ጻጸኝ *and the people were complaining*, Num. xi. 1, which is rendered by the LXX., καὶ ἦν ὁ λαὸς γογγύζων. Compare Exod. i. 12.

12. The particle ኃሠጋ is principally used to point out an event as the consequence of one previously stated; thus, ኃሠጋላገሉ · ሉጊ · ጋሠጋ *therefore ye shall not lead*, Num. xx. 12; ጊሉሠጠ · ጠላፃጊ · ላሠሉ · ኃሠጋ *therefore say to the children of Israel*, Exod. vi. 6; ኃጠየ · ጊገገየ · ጊሠ · ኃሠጋ *therefore whosoever slayeth Cain*, Gen. iv. 15.

13. The compound particle ኃሠ · ጊጠጥፃ *therefore*, differs somewhat from the preceding one, for while the latter marks the relation of two events as that of direct cause and effect, the former generally indicates an event resulting indirectly from a preceding one; thus, ላፃገ · የፃሠጠ · ኃሠ · ጊጠጥፃ *on this account shall a man leave*, Gen. ii. 24; የገላጌ · ኃሠ · ጊጠጥፃ ሠሠ *therefore he called the name*, Gen. xix. 22; instead of this, we find ኃሠ · ጊገ, Gen. xx. 6; ጊጠጥፃጊ, Gen. x. 9; and the simple ጊጠጥፃ, Gen. xvi. 14.

14. Many particles which are included in the *conjunctions* by some, are referred to the *adverbs* by others. On this account, the student will probably find, under conjunctions, particles which, from their force and use, he has led to consider as adverbs, and *vice versâ*.

PREPOSITION.

1. The separable prepositions are properly nouns in the *constructive* state, governing the word before which they are placed in the genitive case; as, ጸሃላሉ · ጊገ *upon the earth*; ጠሉሉሉ · ሠህ *with my wife*; ኃገጠጋ *unto them*; ጠገጠፃ *between me and between thee*, etc.

2. The separable prepositions are also preceded by other separables and inseparables, so as to form words whose signification is compounded of both; as, $\text{עַל־בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל}$ and $\text{עַל־בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל}$, from $\text{עַל־בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל}$; בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל from בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל , with a double prefix; $\text{מִן־בְּנֵי־יִשְׂרָאֵל}$, etc.

3. Many prepositions are not immediately connected with the noun they govern, but are followed by other particles, especially the inseparables בְּ and עַל־ ; as, $\text{בְּתוֹכָהּ־הַכֹּהֵן־הַזֶּה}$ *within the veil*, Heb. $\text{לְפָנֶיךָ־הַכֹּהֵן־הַזֶּה}$, Lev. xvi. 15; בְּצֵדֶיךָ־הַזֶּה *beside the family*, Exod. xii. 37.

4. The preposition בֵּין *between*, is construed in the two following ways: the preposition is repeated with both the objects which form the limit of the space implied in בֵּין ; as, $\text{בֵּין־הַאֵשׁ־וּבֵין־הַחֹשֶׁךְ}$ *between the light and darkness*. In the place of the second בֵּין , the suffix וּ is read; as, $\text{בֵּין־הַמַּיִם־וּבֵין־הַמַּיִם}$ *between the water and water*, Gen. i. 6; $\text{בֵּין־הַמַּיִם־וּבֵין־הַמַּיִם}$ *and between contact and contact*, Deut. xvii. 8.

5. This section contains an account of the principal senses of the *separable* prepositions בְּ , עַל־ , בֵּין , מִן־ .

The preposition בְּ ,—

(a) Denotes *place*; as, בְּבֵית־יְהוָה *in the house*, Gen. xxxix. 5, and is sometimes employed with substantives, so as to form with them adverbs; as, בְּחָשׁוּבִים *deceitfully*, Gen. xxxiv. 13.

(β) Expresses *motion towards*; as, בְּעֵינֵי־יְהוָה *towards heaven*, Gen. xi. 4.

(γ) In the sense of *against*; as, בְּכָל־הָאָרֶץ *against all*, Gen. xvi. 12; בְּמִצְרַיִם *against Egypt*, Exod. xiv. 25.

(δ) It expresses also the *material*; as, $\text{בְּזָהָב־וּבְכֶסֶד־וּבְנְחָשׁ}$ *of gold, and of silver, and of brass*, Exod. xxxv. 32; also the *subject of an action*; as, בְּיָדֶיךָ־הַזֶּה *he shall*

eat thereof, Exod. xii. 43, 44; also the *manner of an action*; as, $\text{ሕፃፍ} \cdot \text{ሕፃፍ}$ *with all thy heart*, Deut. vi. 5, etc.

(ε) In the sense of *for*, *on account of*; as, ገንዘብ *for money*, Deut. ii. 6; እሉገንገሉ *for his theft*, Exod. xxii. 3; አምሥረ *on account of five*, Gen. xviii. 28.

(ζ) With the force of *by*, *through*; as, አሙሥ *by Moses*, Num. xii. 2; also in the sense of *with*, denoting the instrument; as, ጠፃላላ *with my sword*, Gen. xlvi. 22; also *with*, in the sense of *together with*; as, ጠላፍላ *with my rod*, Gen. xxxii. 10.

(η) It has frequently the senses of *when*, *after that*, etc., especially with the infinitive mood. Moreover, this preposition is frequently wanting, and sometimes redundant.

6. The preposition ከ ,—

(α) Primarily signifies *like as*, *as if*; thus, ከእጠፍሙሉኝ *according to our likeness*, Gen. i. 26. When it is doubled, the former is *so*, the latter *as*; thus, $\text{እግጠላኝ} \cdot \text{እሉኝ}$ *so the righteous as the wicked*, Gen. xviii. 25; $\text{እፍላኝ} \cdot \text{ከሆላኝ}$ *so thou as Pharaoh*, Gen. xli. 18.

(β) In the sense of *about*, *nearly*; of number, ከሥመሥት *about six hundred*, Exod. xii. 37; of time, እከጠፍሎ *about the time of life*, Gen. xviii. 10.

(γ) Like ከ , it is used in the sense of *when*, *after that*; as, $\text{ከሕፃፍ} \cdot \text{ሕፃፍ}$ *and when Esau heard*, Gen. xxvii. 34; ከሕፃፍ *after he had made an end*, Deut. xx. 9.

(δ) It is deficient in Gen. xlix. 9, $\text{እጠላኝ} \cdot \text{እግ}$ *as a lion's whelp*. Sometimes it is redundant, like ከ .

7. The preposition እስከ ,—

(α) Is used in the sense of *at*, *to*, or *in*, expressing motion; as, እስከእጠላኝ *all which there is to him*, Gen. xxxix. 8; እስከእግ *to go*, Deut. xxix. 18.

of rare occurrence. Like the rest, it is sometimes deficient and redundant.

CONJUNCTIONS.

1. The separable conjunctions agree in construction, for the most part, with the adverbs, except that they are always put before sentences, for the purpose of *connecting* them. Some, like nouns and adverbs, are preceded by prepositions; as, $\text{אֲזַי} \cdot \text{עַד}$ *so as not*, Deut. iii. 3.

2. The relative prefix כִּי is sometimes used with the perfect tense, expressing the reason for a thing done; as, $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{בָּנֵנוּ} \cdot \text{בְּאֶרֶץ} \cdot \text{מִצְרָיִם} \cdot \text{וְעַתָּה} \cdot \text{אֵלֶיךָ} \cdot \text{בָּרָכָה}$ *we went to the land because thou sentest us*, Num. xiii. 28; $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{יְהוָה} \cdot \text{הָיָה} \cdot \text{שָׁם}$ *because God was there*, Exod. xx. 21. It is also found with the future, expressing the purpose or consequence of any thing; as, $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{יִשְׁלַח} \cdot \text{יְהוָה} \cdot \text{בְּרָכָה}$ *that it may be well with thee*, Deut. iv. 40. The relative is similarly used with prepositions.

3. A conjunction is sometimes found where, in Hebrew, there is an ellipsis of וְיָבִי after a preposition; as, $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{יְבָרֶכְךָ} \cdot \text{יְהוָה}$ *that my soul may bless thee*, Gen. xxvii. 4; $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{יֵשְׁבֶנּוּ} \cdot \text{בְּאֶרֶץ} \cdot \text{חַיָּה}$ *that you may live*, Deut. iv. 1.

4. Sometimes a sentence upon which another depends seems to be wholly omitted; to complete the sense, therefore, and construction, it must be supplied; as, $\text{כִּי} \cdot \text{אֶתְּחַבֵּר} \cdot \text{לְךָ}$ *because I said*, I will take care, *lest thou take thy daughters*, Gen. xxxi. 31, where there is an ellipsis of the Latin 'cavebo'.

5. The inseparable conjunction וְ is variously used in connecting the members of a sentence; it usually has the sense of 'and' or 'also'.

(a) It is found in Gen. xii. 12, in the sense of 'but'; as,

ጸጥላሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ and they will kill me, but thee will they save alive.

(β) In the sense of 'however', 'since'; as, ጸሐሐ ጸሐሐ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ wherefore have you come to me, since ye hate me, Gen. xxvi. 27; ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ because she is the possession of a master, Gen. xx. 3.

(γ) It is also found in the sense of 'either', 'therefore'.

(δ) In the sense of 'so that', 'in order that'; as, ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ye shall not swear by my name falsely, that ye profane not the name of your God, Lev. xix. 2; ስንጠፋሁኑ that he may die, Exod. xxi. 12.

(ε) In the sense of 'when' or 'while'; as, ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ when Lot entered Zoar, Gen. xix. 23.

(ζ) The particle ስ is used in a sentence to which it gives a *retributive* sense, arising from the expression of a condition or cause in a preceding one; as, ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ whether because thou art my brother, therefore wilt thou serve me freely, Gen. xxix. 15; ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ therefore the Lord will keep for thee the covenant, Deut. vii. 12. Similarly, ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ in the day of your eating of it, then shall your eyes be opened, Gen. iii. 5.

(η) The conjunction ስ is sometimes apparently redundant; as, ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ ስንጠፋሁኑ every one who eateth bread leavened, that soul shall be cut off, Exod. xii. 15, 19.

There are various other senses, too numerous to mention here.

6. When the conjunction ስ is repeated, the former

2. As in Latin and Greek, some verbs are used as interjections; thus, אָרָע אָרָע *ἀγε, καταβαίνωμεν*; or, *age, descendamus*. So, מִיָּנִי מִיָּנִי מִיָּנִי מִיָּנִי מִיָּנִי מִיָּנִי *si iter mihi ineundum, quæso, ex sententiâ facere liceat*, Gen. xxiv. 42; הִנֵּה הִנֵּה הִנֵּה הִנֵּה הִנֵּה *Behold! here is seed for you*, Gen. xlvii. 23; בָּרְכֵנוּ בָּרְכֵנוּ בָּרְכֵנוּ בָּרְכֵנוּ בָּרְכֵנוּ *Come! let us make a treaty*, Gen. xxxi. 44.

3. Some nouns have the force of interjections when, on account of a vehement affection of the mind, they are *abruptly* expressed, and are entirely independent of the rest of the sentence; as, אֲבִיטִי אֲבִיטִי אֲבִיטִי אֲבִיטִי אֲבִיטִי *profanum servis tuis!* i. e. *absit à servis tuis*, Gen. xlv. 7.

4. Few remarks are required on the Syntax of the Interjection for practical purposes, inasmuch as that part of speech is independent of the rest of the sentence. The force of the Interjections, which may be derived from the Lexicon, is all that is required.

On the Syntax generally it may be observed, that, for the most part, it agrees with the Hebrew and the other Shemitic languages.

EXTRACTS.

THE following remarks upon the text and construction of some passages in the Extracts will be read with advantage by the student.*

GENESIS, I.

Ver. 2.— מִן־עָנָן should probably be read עָנָן־מִן or אֲמִן־עָנָן ; compare the rendering עָנָן־מִן in the Targum with the latter. Cellarius explains the form in the text as, “factum κατ' ἀποκοπήν ex עָנָן־מִן ; *inanitas*,” to this conjecture the use of the preceding אֲמִן־עָנָן as an *adjective* is somewhat opposed.

Ver. 9.—There is an apparent ellipsis of 2 before אֲמִן־עָנָן .

Ver. 11.— אֲמִן is for אֲמִן־אֲמִן , from אֲמִן־אֲמִן . The succeeding אֲמִן־אֲמִן in the text, may be taken as an *emphatic* infinitive; so we may render, *let the earth* (fem.) *abundantly bring forth herbage sowing* (i. e. the earth) *seed*,† inasmuch as אֲמִן־אֲמִן is *Pahel* or *Aphel* participle fem., as may be inferred from v. 12, 29.

* The author would remind such of his readers as are disposed to be Sebal di Ravii, that his conjectures are not made in the spirit or on the principles of Houbigant.

† That is, by the agency of wind and water, as in the case of the seeds of the *Anastatica Hierochuntica*, or Rose of Jericho.

being represented by π . Should it be read פֶּהִיל Pehil? Vide also ver. 30.

Ver. 28.—All the versions tend to render the reading פֶּהִיל suspicious. Should it be פֶּהִיל , as in ver. 24, 25, etc.? The compound פֶּהִיל immediately succeeding answers to the Hebrew פֶּהִיל , whence it is probably derived. Here again, I apprehend, the true reading may be obtained by expelling פ , when we may render, *which hath crept*, Pahel; at least, such an elision would produce a form consistent with the general principles of the language.

EXODUS, XX.

Ver. 5.— פֶּהִיל · פֶּהִיל · פֶּהִיל · פֶּהִיל is literally rendered from the Hebrew. Of course there is an ellipsis of a substantive, and in all probability this substantive is פֶּהִיל in the extended sense of *descendants*; hence we may render, *visiting the sin of fathers upon the immediate descendants* (i. e. children and grand-children), *and upon the third and fourth descendants* (generations). In the Targum we have, $\text{עַל־דֶּרֶךְ־לִיְיָ וְעַל־דֶּרֶךְ־בְּנֵי}$.

Ver. 10.—Upon the hiatus after פֶּהִיל Cellarius remarks, “hiatus arguit vocem פֶּהִיל *jumentum tuum*, quam codex Ebræo-Sam. habet; in versione autem non apparet.”

Ver. 11.—The reading פֶּהִיל for פֶּהִיל is to be remarked.

Ver. 16.— פֶּהִיל is apocopated for the full form פֶּהִיל Pahel, from פֶּהִיל .

Ver. 17.—The latter part of this verse is interpolated from Deut. xxvii. 2, etc.; xi. 30. The apocopate פֶּהִיל for פֶּהִיל should also be noted.

I have retained $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ in the text, in deference to the opinion of Castel, who says, " $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ *idem quod* חורה," although I am convinced we ought to read $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph$ instead.

Ver. 19.—This verse is chiefly derived from Deut. v. 24—27. In it $\mathfrak{m}\aleph$ for $\aleph\mathfrak{m}\aleph$ must be observed; as also $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{p}\aleph$ Aphel imperative, formed regularly like the Chaldee from $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{p}$, the vowel *Tsere* being represented by the *mater lectionis* \mathfrak{m} .

Ver. 20.—In the phrase $\aleph\aleph\aleph\aleph \cdot \mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{z}$, the infinitive is governed by the ellipsis of \mathfrak{z} , or by the \mathfrak{z} in the adverb.

Ver. 22.—This verse is interpolated from Deut. v. 28, xviii. 18, and succeeding verses. Perhaps $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ should be read $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$.

As regards the expression $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{m}\aleph\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$, something is clearly wrong. It perhaps should be either $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}$, as in Gen. xxx. 34, or $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{v}\mathfrak{m}\aleph\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$; the latter is preferable. The reading in the text is evidently a compound of the two conjectures just given; for, $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ is for $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}$ or $\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}$. The latter conjecture may even be an incorporated gloss on the former, or *vice versâ*.

Some little difficulty attaches to the word $\aleph\aleph\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ in the latter part of the verse. I propose to derive it from $\aleph\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{m}$ *to bear, to attend*, the compound $\aleph\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ being found in Gen. xlii. 23, in the sense of *interpreter*. If this be the case, we ought to read $\aleph\aleph\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ as a participle, and render, *I will tell all that pertaineth to the decrees and judgments*, etc. I have simply rendered it by "precepts" in the Lexicon.

Ver. 25.— $\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{z}\mathfrak{m}\mathfrak{z}$ is perhaps *Pehil* with a suffix; so that we may render, *thou shalt not build them* (fem.), *having hewn them* (masc.); i. e. thou shalt not build them of hewn,

etc. The word may also be an infinitive, with the omission of the prefix א ; in this case, render, *after hewing them*. The discrepancy in gender between אֵלֶּם and אֵלֶּן should be noted.

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Ver. 1.—The student will see that the greater part of the first and the two succeeding verses of the Hebrew, probably containing a complete account of the extent of the panorama exhibited by God to Moses, are rendered in the version by a vague expression of the limits of Moses' observation, without specifying the individual occupants between those limits.

The proper reading of $\text{אֶת־כָּל־אֶרֶץ־עֵינֹן}$ should be $\text{אֶת־כָּל־אֶרֶץ־עֵינֹן}$, as in Num. xxii. 1, xxvi. 3, 63, etc.

Ver. 6.—After וְהָיָה , the suffix אֵלֶּם is manifestly omitted.

Ver. 8.—Upon the somewhat confused phrase $\text{וְהָיָה כִּי־יִשְׁכַּח־נִי־מִן־הָעוֹלָם}$, Cellarius remarks, “forte quod dedecus, neminem à morte eximi; vel fletus *nimius*, quod indecorum dolori indulgere.” I have doubts about the genuineness of this passage, which it would be superfluous to give here.

GENESIS, I.

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<p> א a אב a father אבן a stone אַבְרָהָם Abraham אד a hand אדם a man אֶרֶץ earth, land אֵשׁ to shine; <i>as a subs.</i>, light אֶפְסָס way, path אֶפְסָס to honour; <i>Aphel</i>, Chald. אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס to go away, depart אֶפְסָס a brother אֶפְסָס how? Chald. אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס a tree אֶפְסָס day; Syr. ܐܦܫܐ אֶפְסָס same as אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס to eat, devour אֶפְסָס God אֶפְסָס same as preceding </p>	<p> אֶפְסָס a mother אֶפְסָס a female domestic אֶפְסָס to say, speak אֶפְסָס to rest, cease from; <i>Aphel of</i> אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס female; <i>also</i> אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס a man אֶפְסָס face; Heb. פָּנִים אֶפְסָס a law; <i>also</i> אֶפְסָס אֶפְסָס to prolong אֶפְסָס earth, land אֶפְסָס fire אֶפְסָס who, which אֶפְסָס a wife אֶפְסָס a place א אֶפְסָס a beast of burden, cattle אֶפְסָס a house </p>
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339 to weep, lament
 339 grief, lamentation
 33 a son, child
 339 to build
 339 flesh
 339 to seek, enquire after
 239 a lord, master
 339 } a plain, valley
 339 }
 33 son; *fem.* 339
 339 to create
 239 iron
 339 to bless

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37 a body; *from* 37
 37 to lift over, pass
 over
 37 to commit adultery
 37 to hew, cut, circum-
 cise
 37 a decree, command
 37 a valley, recess
 37 a stranger
 2727 Galgal
 37 to discover
 37 generation, age; *for*
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 37 to steal
 37 baseness, disgrace
 37 same as 37

37 kind, genus; *for*

37. Comp.

Greek γένος

339 winged

339 Gerizim

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35 to sacrifice

35 gold

235 to fear; *also* 235

3235 dread, fear

35 to remember, to
 make mention of;
as a subs., a male

35 a likeness

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3 a mountain

33 this, that

33 to be

233 to add; *vide*
Syntax

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33 less

33 presumption

33 to hold innocent

33 to call, name

33 to plant, sow;
as a subs., seed

33 seed

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- ገገዳ neighbour
 ጸገዳ to rejoice
 ንገገዳ distant, last
 ገላዳ a vision, sight
 ጸላዳ to see, behold
 ሉፍዳ to sin
 ጸጠዳ to live
 ሕጠጠዳ life
 ሕዝዳ to know
 ጸሕዝዳ knowledge, wisdom
 22ዳ to pollute
 ጸ22ዳ heaven
 ጥዝዳ to desire
 ገዝዳ an ass; *for* ገሉዝዳ
 ጥቅዳ mercy
 ገግዳ an axe, a sword
 ሠዳ a tree, shrub
 ሕሠዳ to be dark
 ጸሕሠዳ darkness

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- ግፍ good, well
 ግጥፍ a mountain
 2ፍ2ፍ to move away, to
 pervert
 ቅዝ2ፍ to create, make

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- ገሉጠ to flower, bring
 forth; *as a subs.*,
 a herb

ጸሠግጠ dry earth

ፍጠ a hand

ፍፍጠ to know, discern

ግጸጠ to give

ጸገጸጠ the Lord

ፍሠጸጠ Joshua

ሕገጠ a day

ንሕገጠ to-day

ግፍጠ to be well

ጸሕጠ sea; Chald. ጸፂ-

ግፆፍጠ Jacob

ፆዳጠጠ Isaac

ሉገጸጠፆጠ glory, greatness

ንጥጠ Jordan

ጸጠዳጠ Jericho

ሉገጠ to occupy, inhabit

2ሉገጠ Israel

ግሉጠ to remain, occupy

ሕ

ግሕሕ a star

ንሕሕ to dispose, pre-
 pare; *also* ንግሕ

2ሕ all, any

2ገ2ሕ all, the whole

ፍሕሕ to darken, to be-
 come dim

ጠሉንፍንሕ Canaanite

ሠንሕ to collect

ፈክሕ silver

ግሉሕ to write

2

92 the heart

932 to be in a flame;
as a *subs.*, a flame

מ2מ2 darkness, night

נמב2 a lamp, torch

ב2ב2 a bud, germ

ב2ב2 to bud, flourish

ב2 to teach

ב2פ2 a reptile

ב2 to cast forth

ש

[מאה]

שש a hundred; Heb.

שש a luminary

שש gratis, in vain

שש an altar

שש Moab

שש to fear, dread

שש water [מים]

שש the middle; Chald.

שש a plane, valley

שש a collection

שש to fill up

שש fullness

שש to speak, say

שש a word; also שש;

Plural, שש

שש precepts

שש Egypt

שש Moses

שש tabernacle, tent

נ

נש Nebo

נש a prophet; Chald.

נש; also נש

נש a luminary

נש to be light; as a
subs., light; also
a river

נש a fish; *prop. name*,
Nun

נש to raise, lift up;
as a *subs.*, seed

נש to keep

נש to sacrifice

נש to explore, try

נש to fly

נש an animal

נש to breathe

נש to give, bestow

א

אש to take, or receive

אש to create, multiply

אש to adore

אש to bear witness

אש a sign

אש an eye

אש pot-herb

אש to mount, ascend

P

- 29P a district, region
 99P to bury
 999P a sepulchre
 999P to approach, touch
 as a subs., a face
 999P to justify, sanctify
 999P a state, city; *also*
 99P and 999P
 9999P seed
 29P to kill
 2P a voice
 9992P thunder (*tonitrua*)
 99999P a beginning
 9999P a bird, fowl
 999P to envy, be jealous
 of
 99999P firmament
 999P to approach, touch

 9
 9999 head, top; *also*
 9999
 999 great, mighty
 99999 greatness
 99999 *same as* 999
 9999 *same as* 9999
 99999 remote, distant
 9999 to love
 99999 strength, vigour
 9999 breath, smell

- 9999 void; *fem.*,
 999999,
 Chald. 999999
 9999 to creep; *as a subs.*,
 a creeping thing
 999 a neighbour
 9999 evening

U

- 99999 desolate, mis-shapen
 9999 a sabbath
 9999 to swear
 9999 to send
 999999 the firmament
 9999 to cover over, to
 plaster
 9999 to place, put
 999999 the heavens
 99999 trumpet
 99999 plaster
 9999 Sichern
 9999 to rule
 9999 to finish, fill up; *as*
 an adj., complete
 99999 a finishing
 999999 peace offerings
 9999 a name
 99999 to hear
 99999 to serve, obey
 999999 the sun
 9999 a year

ዓየሠ a step; *as a verb*,
to mock, prevaricate

ጳላሠ same as ጳኃሠ

ላ

ሠንጻላ an abyss

ዓንላ an ox

ላጡጳየጊላ a crocodile

ጋጠየላ brave, apt,
strong

ጳላጠየሠላ likeness

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